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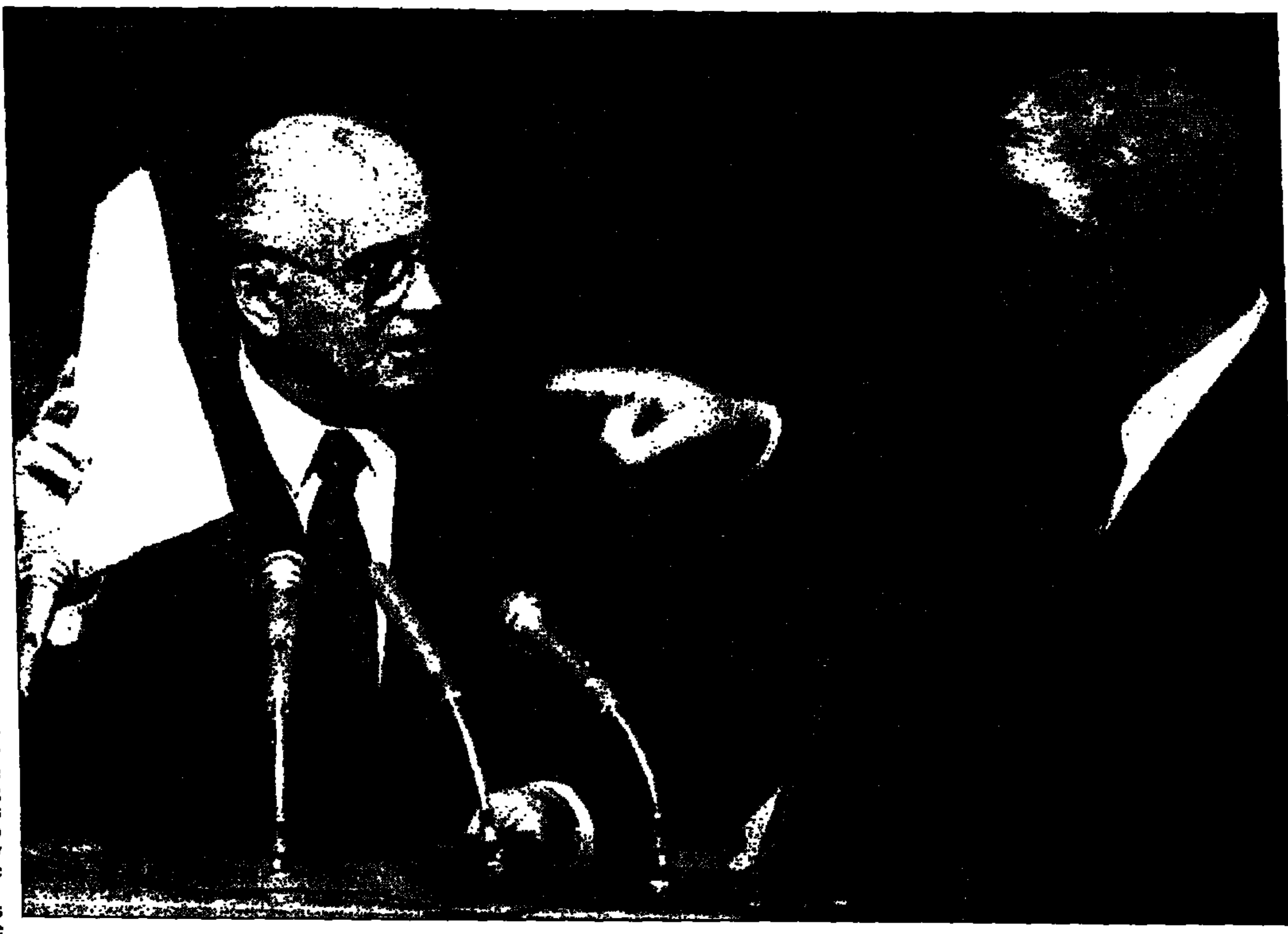
Russian Communist party suspended as purge of Kremlin old guard begins

Yeltsin wields his new power

From MARY DEJEVSKY
IN MOSCOW



Point of order: Mr Gorbachev, holding Soviet cabinet minutes, is confronted by Mr Yeltsin's demand that they should be read to the Russian parliament

BORIS Yeltsin yesterday demonstrated his new superiority over Mikhail Gorbachev by subjecting the Soviet president to a public humiliation in the Russian parliament.

Mr Gorbachev's appearance before the Russian deputies, together with the announcement of new military and ministerial appointments at total variance with appointments announced only hours before, illustrated the extent to which Monday's coup had changed the balance of power at the top of the Soviet Union.

Mr Gorbachev claimed, however, that he and Mr Yeltsin had agreed a new pact that would allow them to work more closely together.

The changes in the upper echelons of the Soviet leadership were accompanied by an unprecedented wave of action against the Communist party as the republics and local authorities tried to catch up with the increasingly hostile public mood. Although Mr Gorbachev still regards the party as his chief remaining base of support, local leaders yesterday took firm steps to cut their links with the party leadership and to neutralise the party's power.

Mr Yeltsin continued his own campaign against the Communist party by decreeing that all activity of the Russian Communist party was halted pending an investigation into the role of its leaders in the coup. He also stopped publication of all the party's newspapers, including *Pravda*, within the Russian republic.

Mr Gorbachev was received by the Russian deputies with cool and at times scornful hostility. Several thousand protesters greeted his arrival with placards calling for his resignation and the fall of the "partocracy". Proceedings of the session were relayed to the audience outside and Mr Gorbachev's opening remarks were drowned by cries of "Shame, shame". When he left the building after the 90-minute session he was jeered and jostled by the crowd.

Inside the packed hall, deputies and their guests repeatedly heckled the Soviet president's long statement, which began with a fulsome expression of gratitude to the Russian parliament and government "who stood united with the workers" to resist the coup. In contrast to his two pronouncements the previous day, the Soviet leader emphasised the contribution of the Russian president. "I should especially single out the contribution of the Russian leaders, in particular, Boris Nikolayevich Yeltsin," he said.

Mr Gorbachev told the meeting that he and Mr Yeltsin, "all the forces of democracy", had agreed to work together. "Today we have adopted a principle," Mr Gorbachev told a meeting of the Russian parliament. "If one of us finds himself unable to carry out his duties, then the other will immediately take over his powers." He told the deputies, who received this news with thunderous applause, that the legal procedures for such a transfer of power had been drawn up.

However, although the two men reached agreement on this issue and on Mr Yeltsin's demand that the leaders of the Soviet republics should be given a say in government appointments, they clashed again over the future of the Communist party.

Mr Yeltsin announced that the party headquarters had been sealed and he signed an order suspending the activity of the hardline Russian branch of the Communist party, "pending a court determination of its involvement" in the coup.

Mr Gorbachev immediately delivered a warning against "any kind of anti-Communist hysteria. If this Supreme Soviet, which has done and is doing so much for democracy, supports this action of Boris Nikolaievich, it will be committing a mistake," he said. "Not all of the Russian Communist party was involved in the coup and supported it." Mr Gorbachev said that if any committee of the party were involved or supported the activities of the eight-man junta, he would support banning it.

Mr Yeltsin repeatedly tried to exercise his new-found power and interrupted the Soviet president's speech, demanding that he read the minutes of last Monday's cabinet meeting to prove that ministers had given in to the demands of the coup leaders. "I have not read it yet," Mr Gorbachev protested. "Well read it now," Mr Yeltsin insisted.

Mr Gorbachev's appearance at the Russian parliament came between two sessions of a meeting of republic leaders to discuss the restructuring of the Soviet government in the wake of the coup and the new Union Treaty, which was due to have been signed by at least three republics last Tuesday.

To judge by the two leaders' statements yesterday afternoon, the nine republic leaders used their morning meeting to set new conditions for signing the Union Treaty and allowing Mr Gorbachev to retain the presidency. According to one unconfirmed report, these terms included the relegation of the Soviet president to equal voting rights with the other nine leaders. This would help to explain the new appointments, which were announced by Mr Gorbachev only hours after he had announced men to take over ministerial roles in an acting capacity.

Among the new appointments is Vadim Bakatin, who takes over from the arrested Vladimir Kryuchkov as head of the KGB, and Yevgeni Shaposhnikov, who takes over from Dmitri Yazov at the defence ministry. Viktor Barannikov, the Russian interior minister, was appointed as Soviet interior minister to succeed Boris Pugo.

Mr Gorbachev criticised the Soviet government's failure to undermine the coup plotters and singled out Aleksandr Bessmertnykh, who was removed from his post as foreign minister.

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A bad day to be toeing the party line in Moscow

*The Communist party was on the defensive yesterday as Boris Yeltsin turned against the movement. **Bruce Clark** describes the extraordinary mood in the streets of Moscow*

Yesterday was not a good time to be a communist in Moscow.

After a day in which their party was vilified for its treachery by persons high and low, banned from the Soviet security forces and drummed out of places ranging from the judiciary of Tajikistan to Moscow radio, the movement suffered its ultimate humiliation.

The grey building in Staraya Ploshad [Old Square] that houses the central committee, whose decrees until so recently held good over eleven time zones, was under the protection of Boris Yeltsin, the target of so many plots and dirty tricks hatched from that very place.

Faultlessly polite young Muscovites — some in camouflage battle dress and others in plain clothes, but all sporting the Russian tricolour — erected some moveable metal barriers outside the faceless edifice and introduced themselves as members of the "Russian national guard".

Mr Yeltsin had sent them there, they explained, to prevent the building being stormed and to stop the communists getting up to any shabby tricks — such as spiriting away documents that might prove their guilt in this week's *putsch*.

By yesterday evening, the atmosphere outside the building was buoyant, good-humoured, and, in the best sense, light-headed. Most of the crowd of several hundred was distracted by an impromtu performance of Cossack folk songs with traditional instruments.

The message seemed to be that there was a Russia long before the central committee existed and that there will still be one long after it has ceased to exist.

Yuri Prokofyev, the Moscow party boss whose prosecution has been ordered by the radical city council, was set upon by angry citizens, bundled into a taxi and reportedly detained at the Russian prosecutor's office.

The Moscow party organisation, which stands next to the central committee, was "sealed" on the city council's orders because, as President Gorbachev euphemistically put it, "certain activities" appeard to have taken place there during the *putsch*.

If Mr Yeltsin's task earlier this week was to throw back the counter-revolution, his challenge yesterday was to keep the democratic revolution in some sort of reasonable bounds — a delicate matter when spirits are running high and breaking into, say, the central committee premises or even the KGB's Lubyanka headquarters seems like a brilliant wheeze.

There can be few Soviet citizens who do not long for a peek at the central committee's notoriously well-stocked kitchens, which, according to Radio Russia, managed somehow to sneak in a fresh delivery of food yesterday.

At mid-day, about 500 demonstrators were still roaring slogans outside the KGB building, jubilant at the removal of Feliks Dzerzhinsky's statue the previous night and wondering what the next step might be.

It was an ugly little situation, but was delicately handled. The Soviet security service is not renowned for its sense of humour and nobody would have been surprised if a volley of shots

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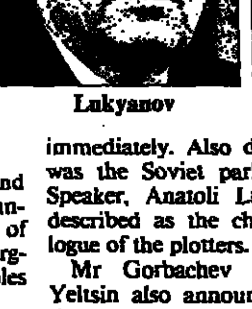
Foreign minister and KGB chief sacked

Bessmertnykh



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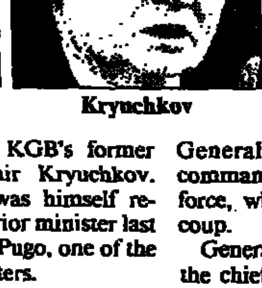

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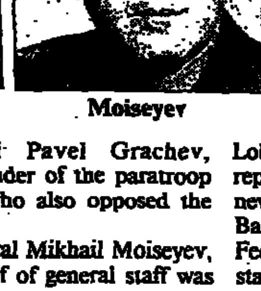

Moiseyev

Shaposhnikov

By OUR FOREIGN STAFF

MIKHAIL Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin yesterday announced the appointments of proven reformers after purging top officials for their roles in the failed coup.

High on the list of victims was the foreign minister, Aleksandr Bessmertnykh, who remained silent during the coup. He was dismissed by President Gorbachev, but a replacement was not named immediately. Also dismissed was the Soviet parliament's Speaker, Anatoli Lukyanov, described as the chief ideologue of the plotters.

Mr Gorbachev and Mr Yeltsin also announced that the new KGB chief was Vadim Bakatin, who was dismissed as interior minister last year for his moderate views. He replaced Leonid Shebashin, who was acting head of the KGB after the arrest of the KGB's former head, Vladimir Kryuchkov. Mr Bakatin was himself replaced as interior minister last year by Boris Pugo, one of the key coup plotters.

The new defence minister is Colonel-General Yevgeni Shaposhnikov, the commander of the Soviet air force, who refused to obey the orders of the junta. As deputy defence minister, General Shaposhnikov named Lieutenant-General Pavel Grachev, commander of the paratroop force, who also opposed the coup.

General Mikhail Moiseyev, the chief of general staff was also dropped. Temporarily he carried out the duties of the ousted defence minister, Marshal Dmitri Yazov, one of the coup leaders. The defence ministry said General Moiseyev was replaced by Colonel-General Vladimir Lobov. No reason for the replacement was given. The new interior minister is Viktor Barannikov, the Russian Federation's police chief, a staunch backer of Mr Yeltsin.

Mr Yeltsin read the list of appointments to a crowd of demonstrators in Moscow's Lubyanka Square, Tass reported. Mr Gorbachev later read them in a nationally televised session of the Russian Federation's parliament.

Wet and windy start to holiday

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

HIGH winds and heavy rain gave the bank holiday weekend a soggy start yesterday, with parts of Bedfordshire knee-deep in water. A freak whirlwind in Chatham, Kent, dumped 100 tons of sand on a cargo ship.

With weathermen forecasting sunnier days to come, motorists made an early dash as BP followed Shell and Tesco's lead and announced petrol price cuts of 6.4p per gallon (1.4p per litre). Traffic jams built up last night: at the Severn bridge drivers queued for three hours in an eight-mile jam to cross into Wales.

Motorists were not the only people in trouble. Rain ruined the second day of the Test match at Lord's against Sri Lanka.

Off the Isles of Scilly a woman was rescued by helicopter from a drifting British yacht, and in Devizes, Wiltshire, three people were hurt by masonry brought down by the wind. On the railways, most InterCity services were busy.

At Heathrow airport's Terminal 1 an express security channel was introduced for passengers carrying one small piece of hand luggage. The move was aimed at cutting congestion by those carrying more than the recommended single item.

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Hungary protest over Yugoslav air incursion

By OUR FOREIGN STAFF

THE Hungarian defence ministry yesterday protested to the Yugoslav military attaché in Budapest over an incident in which eight MiG jet fighters violated Hungarian air space north of the embattled Croatian city of Osijek and two planes fired rockets at a Yugoslav village.

The spokesman said Hungary would take "strong counter-measures" to prevent further violations, including the strengthening of air defences, reconnaissance flights, and extra border guards.

The spokesman for the Yugoslav federal presidency's ceasefire commission said meanwhile that he and other members were about to resign because the commission's work had been handicapped.

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Now there is only one man who cannot see the Party's over

The people are tearing apart the Communist machine that claimed to fight their cause. Mary Dejevsky argues that Mr Gorbachev ignores their passionate verdict at his peril

Hatred and contempt: angry demonstrators manhandle a member of the Communist Party in front of its Moscow headquarters

ON THE night of August 22/23, the failed *coup d'état* against Mikhail Gorbachev turned into a revolution against Communist Party rule. It was a simple and organic process, yet it took almost everyone, above all the rulers, by surprise.

In Moscow, the symbolic start of the revolution was the dismantling of the statue of Feliks Dzerzhinsky outside the KGB headquarters, cheered by several thousand people. Buoyed up by their victory in withstanding the three-day siege at the Russian parliament, the demonstrators believed that they could not be defeated.

Convinced that the Communist Party too could be overcome, the demonstrators marched from the official victory celebrations to all the Communist shrines, the Lenin mausoleum in Red Square, the Central Committee building and the Lubyanka, shouting "Down with the Communist Party".

By yesterday, republics and regions throughout the Soviet Union had started to take their cue from events in Moscow and rushed helter-skelter to ban, suspend or restrict the activity of the party. Where a reason was given it was that the party's role in the coup attempt was unclear and needed to be investigated. The more likely one was the elemental hatred which the rulers had recognised in the Moscow and Leningrad crowds over the past week.

In Moscow, the city's mayor suspended the activity of the city Communist party. The building was placed under guard but not before its two red plaques had been smashed. A cardboard notice was tied to the door: "Sealed".

Later in the day, the Russian president Boris Yeltsin, who had announced on Thursday that all party cells in the armed forces on Russian territory were to be disbanded, decreed that the activity of the Russian Communist Party was to be halted pending an investigation.

Rubbing in his victory further, Mr Yeltsin announced the suspension of the party press. This includes *Pravda* and all the central party newspapers, which because they are based in Moscow are technically on Russian Federation territory. The move shocked party stalwarts almost more than his other measures.

The acting head of the Soviet KGB, Leonid Shebarshin, used the few hours that he was in office to ban party cells throughout the KGB. The official Tass news agency did the same, but this did not prevent Mr Yeltsin from dismissing Tass's director, Lev Spiridonov, whom he accused of spreading disinformation during the coup.

In the republics, political leaders in Moldavia, Kazakhstan and Tajikistan, belatedly emulated Mr Yeltsin's earlier move to ban party organisations from government offices and factories. Two of the three Baltic states outlawed the Communist Party in their republics and the Lithuanian authorities took over the party headquarters in Vilnius. In Kirghizia, in Soviet Central Asia, the building of the party headquarters in the capital, recently renamed Bishkek, was nationalised.

The party leaders of Moldavia and Uzbekistan followed the Kazakhstan leader in announcing their withdrawal from the central party politburo in protest against its failure to oppose the coup. Each, however, reserved the right to retain separate republic-level party organisations. This means that while they can retain their hold over local power structures, the national Communist Party of the Soviet Union is effectively finished as an all-union institution. The party will have to operate at republic level only, if at all.

Only Mr Gorbachev, the Soviet president and general secretary of its barely existent Communist Party, seemed to be unaware of this rush to the lifeboats. On the second day after his rescue from the Crimea he insisted again that the party was not a nest of reactionaries and traitors and still had a role to play.

When he arrived to address the Russian parliament, he was greeted by posters and banners saying "Down with the Communist Party" and calling on him to quit it. Many other placards simply told him to resign altogether.

Questioning by Russian deputies was sharp and hostile, especially on his continued faith in socialism and the party. After all, were not all the chief plotters senior party members, and had not party officials been deputed to drum up support in the republics for the coup? But Mr Gorbachev continued, often clumsily, to stand by his party. He bridled when Mr Yeltsin proposed his decree suspending the activity of the Russian Communist Party but was prevented from speaking by *fortissimo* slow handclapping from the hall.

Through yesterday, the predominantly negative comments from ordinary Russians on Mr Gorbachev's television performance the previous evening centred on his insistence that the party could still foster reform and had many enlightened people in its ranks. Reactions varied from amazement at his naïveté to disgust.

The writing has been on the wall for the Soviet Communist Party for the past 18 months, since most local election candidates who stood on the Communist ticket were roundly defeated. Those who were elected campaigned either on a law-and-order platform or on their adherence to one of the democratic associations.

Since then, the trend has been only downwards, reflected in a 25 per cent drop in party membership over the past year. In recent months the open contempt and even hatred of the party as an institution has grown. While this may be mainly because people have lost their fear of criticising it in public, the condemnations have become increasingly bitter and uncompromising.

That criticism became possible at all is largely a result of Mr Gorbachev's policy of *glasnost*. His clearly expressed belief that the party should continue to function only so long as it obeys the rules laid down for other parties conflicts in no way with democratic norms. For many in the Soviet Union, however, the idea that the party should be demoted rather than eliminated is unacceptable.

Some are open in wanting outright retribution for years of repression. Like President Landsbergis of Lithuania and many who suffered from Soviet rule in Eastern Europe, they would support a Nuremberg-style trial for party leaders and accuse them of crimes against the state. Others believe that the party's tentacles extend so far and are still so strong that nothing less than strangulation will allow the advance of political pluralism.

In years to come, historians will analyse when and even whether the Soviet Communist Party and the people of the Soviet Union were ever united. But by the summer of 1991 any unity there had been was long gone and the president's continued allegiance to the party of his youth was his biggest political liability.

RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT

Two leaders launch sweeping purge of party and its power

By Michael Binyon, Diplomatic Editor

Fighting stance: Mr Gorbachev adopts a boxing pose as he chats with supporters before entering the Russian Parliament building yesterday.

THE third Russian revolution began yesterday on the spot where the fate of the botched coup was sealed.

Mikhail Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin, addressing the Russian parliament, yesterday launched a massive purge of all the organs of power that have ensured communist control of the Soviet Union for the past 70 years, ousting top officials, sealing communist headquarters and emasculating the power of a once monolithic party.

Greeted with a thunderous ovation as he strode to the podium, Mr Gorbachev wasted no time in paying tribute to those who had saved him and the country.

"...I want to call particular attention to the outstanding role of the president of Russia in these events, Boris Nikolayevich Yeltsin. I was always convinced ... that these adventurists (the coup plotters) would be defeated ... Nonetheless ... their intent was very far-reaching ... An element of this pressure on the president of the country was their telling me ... that ... Yeltsin was arrested ... that was their intent, to isolate the president of the country if he refused to co-operate with thse forces of reaction and isolate the president of the Russian Federation ..."

The plotters thought that the union was "on the verge of catastrophe, of collapse, that there would be a national catastrophe, and that the people would support them". That, he added, was their main miscalculation.

“The government has to show the public ... that it is ready to examine itself harshly”

The people did not support them, he said. "The army would not go with them, although they were pushed. And so the forces upon whom they were counting, the special forces for combating terrorism, were sent to strike a blow at the leadership of this democratic process. But people refused to follow orders."

He praised the armed forces, including those ordered into the streets, for taking a "position of principle". Almost every one, down to the last soldier and officer, acted according to their conscience.

He said the plotters had never counted on this. They also had not realised that the country had reached a stage in its development when everything had to change — "the authority, the federation, the economy, our attitude, our relationship with property, and the position of the individual."

The Soviet Union was already a different society where there was no place for "those reactionary forces." That was why this was the last such adventurous attempt to seize power, exact revenge and stop the reform process.

What was needed now was a major regrouping of political forces. "We need a reliable governmental authority and a dispositio of personnel in our forces in order to provide this support." Mr Gorbachev said that he had wasted no time in trying to eliminate those potential sources of danger. And he began immediately with the Soviet cabinet. "I had information of various types about the behaviour of the minister of Foreign Affairs (Alexander Bessmertnykh). This morning I got further information...and I have now relieved him of his responsibilities."

He would, in future, have a "correct approach." And, to loud applause, he said: "This whole government has got to resign."

The next step was to work more rapidly for the union treaty. Despite criticism of the draft from various sides, the treaty was now ready for signature. Indeed it was the imminence of such a signing that incited the reactionary forces to launch their coup, because they knew what they consequence of the treaty would be.

Reporting on his talks with republican leaders, he said they had all said that the country must work and interact together within the framework of a unified union. This meant, in particular, what Mr Gorbachev called "socio-economic issues" – by which he meant the widespread worries over the collapsing economy which were cited by the coup leaders.

“No one should be able to reproach us for carrying out a witch hunt. We know who started this and what happened”

"We have...a real problem of survival. Look what this so-called committee (an Emergency Committee set up by coup members) started with...namely, the working out of a food programme in order to survive until the next harvest." The government now had to distinguish itself from the plotters, and show the public that it was ready to examine itself harshly. That had been agreed by Mr Gorbachev, Mr Yeltsin and the republics.

"We're going to establish a unified investigation body and this body is going to investigate, all of them, under the guidance of two procurators. And they are going to report on this, and...we are going to inform you and the Supreme Soviet of the country how the process is going on..."

In following this couse, they must show their maturity. Mr Gorbachev, acknowledging the savage mood of many delegates, went on: "You will say that they raised their hand against us, wanted to turn us into meat, they wanted to annihilate us. That is all entirely true, it's clear, and for that they must bear the most severe responsibility, those who raised their hands against the constitutional order, against the constitutional bodies, against the people."

There could be no loosening up. Nevertheless, everything had to be done according to the law. "No one should be able to reproach us for carrying out a witch hunt. We know who sharted this and we know what happened."

The Soviet leader then praised Russia for its "firm and clear position" in letting everyone know what was going on in Moscow. This changed the whole situation. He said the Supreme Soviet and Mr Yeltsin also took this position. "And today, after emerging from this crisis, the Russians must act together with all the other Supreme Soviets of the other republics an the peoples of the other republics. Otherwise they would not be Russians."

There were now enormous opportunities for Russia's "unifying mission", for the Supreme Soviet of Russia, the government and the whole people of Russia.

He added, with feeling: "Let us not simplify things. We still have the greatest difficulties ahead in the next couple of months. We've got to convince people that their lives are changing to their benefit."

Mr Gorbachev said he welcomed the position of Anatoli Sobchak, Leningrad's reformist mayor, who said that the leadership should take "the most severe methods permitted by law against those who had prepared this putsch". But he warned against any kind of "anti-communist hysteria". That, he said, would be used against the people.

"The greatest gift which we could give to the conservatives and the reactionaries, or to anyone who wants to push the country backward, would be if the democrats lose their unity."

He said there were differences and nuances among the different types of democrats. But all democratic forces had to be united. The events had made this imperative.

Asked by one restless member of parliament whether the Soviet communist party should be declared a criminal enterprise, he replied forthrightly: "If you set yoursives the task before the Supreme Soviet and the government of the Russian Federation, and even before other Supreme Soviets, of driving secessionism from the territory of the Soviet Union, we will not ever succeed in accomplishing such a task because this is just another way of carrying on a crusade or religious war at the present time."

As he understood socialism, it was a type of conviction that people had which was held not only in the Soviet Union and not only today. "And we have declared here freedom of conviction, freedom of belief." No one had the right to make such a demand. "It's another type of utopia. It's the same kind of witch hunt that I've been talking about. Let the people find their own positions vis-a-vis the party or vis-a-vis any other parties."

“Let us not simplify things. We still have the greatest difficulties ahead”

He insisted that he could not agree that the party should be prohibited. He conceded that in the party there were people and currents of opinion involved in the coup. They had to bear their responsibilities, legally and politically. "But I never will say that we have to drive out all your workers and peasants who happen to be Communists. No, no, no, I can't go along with that."

But he added sardonically that there were people in the central committee who did not have the courage even to defend their own secretary-general. There were also committees which took decisions in such a way as to help the plotters. They too had to answer for their respo9nsibilities. But to declare millions of people — workers and peasants — criminals: he would never go along with that.

He was then asked what his next practical steps must be. "We have to sign the union treaty. We have to have an anti-crisis programme, a food programme, a fuel programme. The finances have to be stabilised. We have to do all of these things." This would need a major regrouping of forces, a new legislative and executive which would have confidence.

Mr Yeltsin broke in to propose, to sustained applause, a cessation, of the Russian Communist party. Hearing the tumultuous reaction, he then declared: "The decree is hereby signed."

This upset Mr Gorbachev, and he flustered. "I think you'll be ... I don't know what you have been signing there, what it's called. But if it is as Boris Nikolayevich has said, then the Supreme Soviet, which has done so much and still has so much to do, in that case would hardly support President Boris Nikolayevich, whom I respect. — wait a minute — not the whole Communist Party of Russia participated in this plot and supported it."

If it was determined that the Russian committee or some other provincial committee were in solidarity with this coup, then he would support it. "But to prohibit the Communist Party, I have to tell you, would be a mistake for such a democratic Supreme Soviet, for such a democratic president of Russia."

“I will never say that we have to drive out all your workers and peasants who happen to be Communists”

Mr Gorbachev paid generous tribute to Mr Yeltsin. He praised his "outstanding role" and said that the plotters had intended to isolate and then arrest Mr Yeltsin.

He added: "We have agreed that if one of us cannot carry out his duties, then automatically then other immediately taken over his rights." He said a "mechnanism" had been worked out for the unprecedented arrangement which confirms Mr Yeltsin as his equal.

But he had nothing but contempt for the party central committee members who panicked during the coup. "There are people who lost their heads, all sense of responsibility. You could even call them traitors! Traitors!"

At one point during the session, Gorbachev dramatically held up what he said were the minutes of a secret Cabinet meeting during the coup that revealed who backed the emergency decrees. He said many of them "hemmed and hawed," but most voted in support of the takeover.

MrGorbachev defended the national legislature, the Supreme Soviet, even though its leader, Anatoly Lukyanov, was apparently a key coup supporter.

"Do not be in a hurry to judge the Supreme Soviet," he said. "There are some people who will have to answer for themselves."

“To prohibit the Communist Party would be a mistake for such a democratic President of Russia”

Then a woman stood up and interrupted him, prompting further outbursts that stopped Mr Gorbachev again. An increasingly annoyed Mr Gorbachev then shouted: "I'm telling you what I think; do I have that right or not?" He told the legislators that he did not want now to name all those appointed to replace the hard-liners, but Mr Yeltsin said that Mr Gorbachev had agreed to appointing Constantine Kovets head of the army. Major General Kovets had been in charge of defence for the Russian republic.

He confirmed other appointments that Mr Yeltsin apparently recommended.

A deputy asked him to appoint Russian Vice President Silayev to replace the disgraced Valentin Pavlov as prime minister. Mr Gorbachev said he had agreed in December for the prime minister to be an ethnic Russian, "therefore the possibility remains the same today".

But he said such decisions needed cabinet consideration and a "unified position" needed to be worked out. He suggested that the government should not be dominated by ethnic Russians.

Another questioner asked that the Communist Party be stripped of its vast holdings, and he said the issue "would be decided in the days to come."

He said, to loud applause, that the building of the party's Central Committee had been sealed.

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THE AFTERMATH

Gorbachev purges cast doubt on his grasp of facts

From BRUCE CLARK IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT Gorbachev's changes in the leadership of the defence ministry, the KGB and the interior ministry — which controls the police, internal peacekeeping forces and Omon commando units — yesterday brought into question his grasp of the situation.

It was not simply that he called for the resignation of the Soviet cabinet. That institution was doomed by the forthcoming Union Treaty, which will devolve increased powers to the republics, to irrelevance or extinction.

More spectacular was a purge in the leadership of all branches of the security forces, so sweeping as to portend fundamental changes in the country's power structure. It was clear that these moves had virtually been dictated by Boris Yeltsin, the Russian Federation president.

Equally astonishing were signs that even if Mr Gorbachev continues gracing the Communist party with his presence as general secretary, his main task will be to manage the rapid decline of an institution so bruised that its survival as a political force looks doubtful.

General Mikhail Moiseyev, the armed forces chief who played an ambiguous role in the coup, was named acting defence minister. Leonid Shebarshin was to be promoted from foreign intelligence chief to KGB chairman, following the path taken three years earlier by Vladimir Kryuchkov, the leader of the *putsch*. Boris Pugo, the ruthless interior minister who committed suicide rather than face arrest, was also to be substituted by a senior lieutenant. But these appointments held good for little more than a day.

By Thursday night, as enthusiastic crowds ran riot in front of the KGB's headquarters, it was questionable whether a man so closely associated with the old regime as Mr Shebarshin could take over.

Yesterday the answers came and it was a moment of triumph for Soviet liberals: the new KGB chairman was to be a man from outside the intelligence network, the well-mannered, well-educated and well-respected Vadim Bakatin.

Time has brought sweet revenge. For it was Mr Bakatin's sacking as interior minister in favour of Mr Pugo, the former Latvian KGB chief, that marked the onset of last winter's conservative backlash.

Mr Bakatin, aged 53, had delighted reformers and probably ensured his demise by insisting on treating the governments of the Baltic states with the courtesy due elected bodies; his ousting paved the way for January's bloody moves on the Baltic region.

He is, like Mr Yeltsin, a construction engineer from Siberia. But some liberals find his reformist credentials more convincing than those of the Russian leader, and there was a dilemma in many liberal households in June when the two men were rival candidates for the Russian presidency.

But perhaps the most startling change for the Soviet spy network is yesterday's abolition of its Communist party cells. For decades, Western Sovietologists argued over which of the two closely linked institutions — the KGB or the party — wielded supreme power; that question is less relevant now.

The presence of Mr Pugo at the head of the interior ministry ensured a close and vicious link between the intelligence agency and the ministry's Omon forces who sowed terror in the Baltic cities of Vilnius and Riga. Now there seems a chance of that link being broken.

Yesterday it was announced that a Yeltsin man will succeed Mr Pugo. Viktor Barannikov, as head of the embryonic interior ministry of the Russian Federation, had struggled to carve some independence from his opposite numbers in the Soviet government. Now he finds himself in charge of the Soviet police, and faces the daunting task of bringing to heel Omon forces.

Also announced yesterday was an injection of new blood into the defence ministry. Its new head is General Yevgeni Shaposhnikov, the former air force chief, aged 49, who was one of the few members of the high command who refused to obey orders from the coup organisers. He is respected as a tough, competent figure who has shunned politics and ideology, and concentrated on fighting departmental battles to ensure that the air force still controls a decent slice of the Soviet defence industry.

General Moiseyev has been removed from the leadership of the armed forces in favour of Vladimir Lobov, former Warsaw Pact commander.

Perhaps more important than individual changes is the fact that like the KGB, the armed forces are to be purged — by order of Mr Yeltsin — of their Communist party organisation.

Words of anger: demonstrators gesture towards KGB headquarters in Moscow, waving banners saying "arrest the big stars of the Mafia"

Words of cheer: Boris Yeltsin celebrates the toppling of Dzerzhinsky's statue

PROTEST

Tide of anger at party rises

By MICHAEL HORNSBY

ANTI-communist anger, rippling out from the political upheaval in Moscow and the Baltic states, spread through the Soviet Union's outlying republics yesterday in the aftermath of the failed putsch by hardline members of the party, the army and the KGB.

Street protests, resignations by party officials and the seizure of party premises by local authorities were reported from the Ukraine and Moldavia in the southwest to Kirghizia in central Asia amid growing nationalist demands for independence from Moscow.

Several hundred people surrounded the local Communist party headquarters in Lvov, the main city in the fervently-nationalist western Ukraine, and refused to allow party officials into the building. In other parts of the same region, local authorities were reported to have closed party offices.

Separatist feeling, entwined with the cause of the only recently unbanned Ukrainian Catholic or Uniate Church, has long been strong in the western Ukraine, which has a relatively small Russian population and before 1939 was part of Poland.

Emboldened by the failure of the coup, the nationalists, who also hold a about a third of the seats in the Ukrainian parliament in Kiev, the capital, have stepped up demands for the republic to have control of its own army and police force, and a separate currency.

The president of Uzbekistan, Islam Karimov, yesterday resigned from the Soviet Communist party's politburo and central committee, ostensibly in protest against its failure to oppose the putsch.

Further east in Kirghizia, President Askar Akayev announced that the Communist party central committee headquarters in Frunze, the capital, would be nationalised, along with a building housing the local branch of the Lenin museum.

NEWSPAPER COUP

Pravda publishes the truth at last and admits it has lied to order

From MARY DEJEVSKY
IN MOSCOW

ONE of the first actions of the self-apointed state committee was to impose total censorship of the media. Only nine newspapers were permitted to appear, all of them loyal, or assumed to be tractable in their political priorities.

Yesterday the perverse results of that policy were visible: the staff of the Communist Party paper, *Pravda*, announced a palace coup of their own but Boris Yeltsin, the Russian Federation president, still suspended the paper.

Meanwhile the staff of the former government paper, *Izvestia*, not only dispensed with their editor, but righted one of the wrongs of the past. A decree also dismissed Lev Spiridonov, the head of the official Soviet news agency Tass.

Pravda had transformed itself overnight into a paper of the rank-and-file communists. It dropped the description in its masthead as the "organ of the Central Committee of the Communist party", replacing it with "general political newspaper of the Communist party".

A declaration from the paper's editorial department was printed alongside, admitting what many of former readers had known for decades: that the paper had published lies. Commenting on its coverage of the coup, it said: "For the umpteenth time, the paper's coverage was biased and carried half-baked judgments. We must say frankly that one of the main reasons for this is our longstanding dependence on orders from above."

Some were surprised that *Izvestia*, which has pursued a mainly reformist editorial line despite a conservative chief editor, was included in the nine papers permitted to publish by the emergency committee. Some of its journalists were offended that it was not banned. The committee appeared to believe, however, that it could turn the reform-minded newspaper back into an obedient organ of the regime by relying on the obedient old-style editor in chief, Nikolai Yefimov, and reinforcing its demands with some good old-fashioned intimidation.

Last Monday, staff at *Izvestia* chose differently. The journalists and the printers refused to bring out the paper without Mr Yeltsin's "appeal to the people" in which he called for the coup to be resisted — and the paper did not appear. When it was printed, a day late, it contained most of Mr Yeltsin's appeal — and *Izvestia* was the only one of the nine permitted papers to print it.

By 1pm, the journalists had decided that the appeal should be printed. At 3pm the deputy editor had agreed. At 3.40pm, Mr Yefimov arrived back from his holiday unexpectedly and demanded it be removed.

The printers stood by the page proofs, "ready to defend them literally to the death. How they tried to shatter and break those printers, the threats they used, the pressure they exerted — new flats came into it, and wages, and the argument that the content of the paper was nothing to do with them. But they held out," wrote Ira Ovchinnikova.

Honesty pays: Muscovites poring over the new *Pravda*

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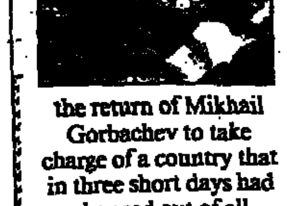

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MEN IN DANGER

Ambassadors face purge in diplomatic service

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

THE sacking of Aleksandr Bessmertnykh, the Soviet foreign minister, will send a shock through the Soviet foreign service and may be followed by the dismissal of ambassadors around the world who temporised after the coup or actively supported it.

The Soviet diplomatic service is one of the world's largest, most bureaucratic and, until recently, most riddled with spies, nepotism and party placemen. For almost 30 years it was dominated by the hardline policies of the veteran foreign minister Andrei Gromyko, who moulded diplomats much in his own image: secretive, aloof, concerned more about ideology that the realities of foreign affairs and who saw their job as an endless propaganda struggle in a hostile world.

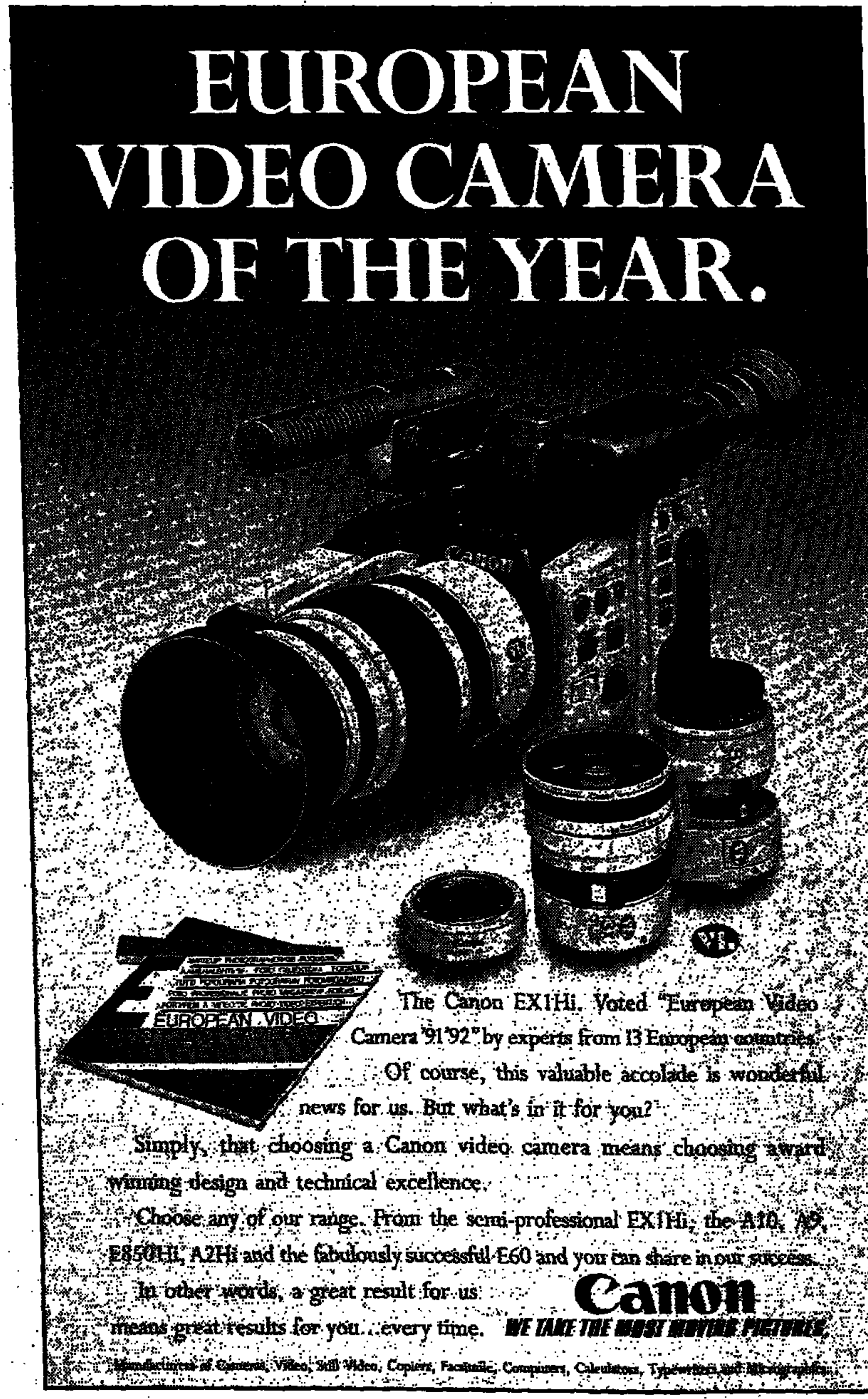
In times of trouble the instinct of the old Soviet diplomats was to vanish from sight. They voiced no opinion until it had been cleared by the party line in Moscow. The coup brought out some of these old instincts: but it also revealed that Soviet diplomats are split by generation, politics and differing assessments of the state of their own country.

On succeeding Gromyko, Eduard Shevardnadze began a purge of the most egregious hardlinersand a new generation of diplomats has been given their head: liberal, poised, accessible, speaking foreign languages fluently and eager to co-operate in international discussion and the political process of their host countries. Vitali Churkin, now the foreign ministry spokesman, is typical of the new generation. Posted in Washington, he created astonishment by his bravura performance testifying to a congressional hearing after the Chernobyl accident. He was witty, fluent, effortlessly parrying awkward questions without causing resentment, despite little knowledge of what had happened and before the authorities in Moscow had begun to speak out.

Reform, however, has done little to reduce the size of the service or reduce the number of political appointees. There are no firm figures for the total number of diplomats: there must be at least 10,000.

In general, the younger diplomats have embraced President Gorbachev's changes eagerly. Proud of his popularity abroad, they have basked in the new affection for their country. Most, too, are crusading supporters of perestroika and glasnost.

But they have watched the deterioration of the economy and living conditions in their country with growing alarm.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Toppling of Dzerzhinsky statue exorcised the years of fear

Martin Ivens shows how terror was the key to communist rule

THE cranes which pulled down the statue of the father of secret police tyranny, Feliks Dzerzhinsky, were symbolically removing Communist power itself from its pedestal. For it is the alliance of the secret police with the party which has been the bastion of the regime.

By one of the cruellest ironies of history the secret police, the state within the state which had made the tsars loathsome to the world, was adopted by their deadly enemy, the bolsheviks. Under the old regime even conservatives had been embarrassed by the Okhrana, but Lenin referred proudly to its counterpart, the Extraordinary Commission for Combating Counter-Revolution and Sabotage, founded on December 20, 1917, as "our excellent Cheka".

According to the historian Adam Ulam, Lenin despised individual acts of terrorism, such as that for which his own brother had been executed. But he took pains to accustom his party to the notion that "membership in the Cheka is one of the most honourable and responsible duties a Communist could aspire to". Lenin thought the creation of a revolutionary secret police a great joke on the liberal windbags he despised. It exemplified the stern resolve of the proletariat.

Right-hand man: Feliks Dzerzhinsky, right, the head of the Cheka secret police, conferring with Stalin

The Cheka's first chief, Feliks Dzerzhinsky, "a knight without fear or blemish", as communist writings used to refer to him, was born into a Polish noble family. Like Stalin he seems to have made the choice early in life between a religious or revolutionary vocation. Dzerzhinsky was one of many Polish communists like Menzhinsky (the latter, also of noble origin, ironically became his successor in 1926 as head of the secret police) who remained in the Russian Communist party after the founding of an independent Poland and despite the Soviet-Polish campaign in 1920.

Lenin picked "Iron Feliks" to lead the secret police for his fanatical, ruthless loyalty. Other bolshevik colleagues were less impressed — they thought he was a bit soft in the head. Certainly his conduct was puzzling. While presiding over the execution without trial of thousands of the bolsheviks' enemies, he enthusiastically supported a campaign to end the death penalty.

By March 1920 the Cheka could send people to forced labour camps for up to five years without trial. So feared were its activities that the Kronstadt rising of anarchists and sailors identified the secret police as their special enemy. They charged that the bolshevik regime had "brought the workers, instead of freedom, an ever present fear of being dragged into the torture chambers of the Cheka, which exceeds by many times in its horrors the gendarmerie administration of the tsarist regime". They were right, but nearly all paid with their lives.

As the Cheka's activities grew so the Communists rebaptised the organisation with other, innocuous titles. The initials, however, also became objects of fear. By 1922 the Cheka had become the GPU. It went on to by known as the OGPU, the NKVD, the MGB and eventually the KGB, the Committee of State Security.

On Lenin's death, Stalin used the secret police to wipe out the right and left wings of the party he had already outmanoeuvred politically. He then turned them against the party rank and file. It made an ideal weapon against his enemies, real or imagined — the millions of peasants murdered during the collectivisation of the land, the officer corps and the intellectuals he so hated. He then ordered the secret police to purge its own ranks.

The organ of state terror soon discovered that its sinister activities had to be masked by the Great Lie. Victims were not to be simply liquidated but forced to admit their own culpability. As early as 1918, Dzerzhinsky's aim was to secure confessions of error from the bolshevik state's enemies before their liquidation.

In his chronicle of Stalin's purges, *The Great Terror*, Robert Conquest wrote of the utility of the confessional principle. "Even if confessions seem highly implausible, they may have some effect, even on sceptics, on the principle that there is no smoke without fire and that mud sticks. Even if the confession is disbelieved, a defendant who humbly confesses and admits that his opponents were right is to some extent discredited politically. Even if the confession is disbelieved, it is a striking demonstration of the power of the state over its opponents."

The present regime owes its legitimacy to its descent from Lenin and Stalin. Feliks Dzerzhinsky's body symbolically lies next to that of Stalin under the Kremlin wall. If the apparatus of state security is to survive in the new Soviet Union, it will have to sever its connection with the Communist party. In Romania the *Securitate* survived the overthrow of Ceausescu under a new guise. Yesterday the then acting chief of the KGB, Leonid Shebarshin, now replaced by Vadim Bakatin, banned Soviet Communist party cells in KGB departments and among KGB troops. If that order is fully carried out, it spells the beginning of the end for the party's rule.

LITHUANIA

Vilnius cheers as crane lifts hollow Lenin from perch

From ANATOL LIEVEN IN VILNIUS

FROM the street in Vilnius, the huge neo-classical building with its massive doors and blank windows looked impervious to the Lithuanian crowd demonstrating outside.

As we waited, a small flake of blackened paper drifted from the sky, and a plume of smoke rose from the backyard: the KGB in Vilnius was burning its archives. Minutes later a bus pulled out containing officers' families, and escorted by two armoured personnel carriers. In the yard, armed men in civilian dress could be seen throwing more documents on the fire.

Just opposite, an equally powerful symbol of communist rule was about to fall. Watched by a rapturous crowd, a motorised crane placed a steel noose round the shoulders of the giant statue of Vladimir Ilyich Lenin. We were expecting a long struggle with the 30ft figure, but the crane lifted the torso easily. "Oh no, this is too good a metaphor," a friend explained. "It's hollow."

For several seconds the huge thing was suspended in the air like a mis-shapen bird, stretching out its arm as if to shake hands with the crowd. Then it was lowered into a lorry, while Lithuanians cheered and threw flowers on top of it. I have never seen them so happy.

The mood was quite different from that of the quiet, anxious population which last year heard the news of the Lithuanian's parliament declaration of renewed independence.

The fall of Lenin in Vilnius probably prefigures that of his statues, and the rapid removal of the man himself from his icebox in the mausoleum by the Kremlin wall. However, the resonance of his fall is rather different in the Baltic region from what it will be in Moscow.

One reason why the statues here have stood for so long, in spite of last year's declaration of independence, is that they had become some sort of national icon for many local Russians.

Standing beside me in the crowd, a Lithuanian shouted: "Occupant, go home!" — "occupant" being the standard Baltic insult against members of the local Russian minorities. A Liberal deputy from the St Petersburg City Council, Sergei Berezinsky, who had come to cheer, was deeply upset.

"This is just the same sort of stupid talk I heard today at the Baltic parliamentary conference, making no difference between Soviet and Russian," he said. "This is Soviet language, the language of yesterday."

Two questions now hang over ethnic relations in the Baltic region in the post-Soviet period: whether the ethnic tensions here have been mainly manufactured by Soviet hardliners or have an enduring life of their own; and whether, now that the risk of concessions to the Soviet side is disappearing, Baltic governments will make concessions to local Slav minorities.

In a gesture of sensitivity towards these people and the Soviet army, the expected fall of a second huge statue in Vilnius, that of General Ivan Chernyakhovsky, failed to take place. Chernyakhovsky was the Soviet general who captured Vilnius from the Germans in 1944 and was later killed in action. He is buried beneath his statue.

A city deputy, Vladimiras Grazulis, told me that the council will wait for the general's family to decide where to take his body. Only then will the monument be removed.

By the time that Lenin fell yesterday, many other Soviet positions throughout the Baltic area had already fallen. All over the region, governments have taken over Communist party property or are about to do so. Negotiations are also taking place for the abolition of the notorious Black Berets.

In the Latvian capital, Riga, yesterday evening, crowds were reported surrounding the Communist headquarters, containing one of the chief organisers of the Soviet coup, the Latvian party chief, Alfreds Rubiks. The Latvian government has issued an order for his arrest. Mr Rubiks denied having supported the coup, but this is in contradiction to his public statement during the coup, and it is unlikely to save him.

Early yesterday Lithuanian Communist leaders left their central committee building in a convoy of armoured vehicles, and it was later occupied by the Lithuanians. The leaders are reported to have been taken to the main military base in Vilnius.

Several hours later, President Landsbergis warned the garrison commander, Colonel Valeri Frolov, that he could be charged with helping perpetrators of the Soviet coup.

Banned banner: a Lithuanian soldier lowering the red flag in front of the Vilnius Communist party headquarters after the Communists left the building

VINTAGE AUCTION

Threat to fine wines averted

By JOHN SHAW

THE future of 800 cases of fine wine from the tsars' cellars in the southern Crimea valued at £500,000 swung to and fro with the uncertain future of the Soviet Union this week.

A container load of valuable vintages was to be driven overland thousands of miles from the winery at Massandra, a few miles from where President Gorbachev was held under house arrest at his villa on the Black Sea coast, via Moscow to Finland, then by sea to Felixstowe and a Sotheby's wine sale in London.

David Molyneaux Berry, a wine expert and a deputy director at Sotheby's said: "We were on real tenterhooks here for days. It is quite a problem transporting stuff overland because so much is hijacked and lands up on the black market.

"We were not sure if the consignment would be stopped or blocked. Communications became virtually impossible and we actually lost touch with it for five days. It was very hairy because this consignment was intended as our main sale of Russian wines in November."

He said that he only received confirmation that the load had reached Finland on his eighth call at 2am yesterday. "I can tell you it was a real relief because this was a very major consignment," he said. The Massandra winery was constructed specifically to supply the tsar's summer palace at Livadiya. The royal family would spend summer holidays at the palace and were particularly partial to Château d'Yquem. The sale contains a dozen bottles of this superb dessert wine from 1865 estimated at between £1,500-£2,500 a bottle.

The château's reputation was enhanced by royal patronage. The auction includes nine vintages from 1848 to 1897. There are three bottles of Livadiya Red Port 1891, the first red port ever made in the Crimea, embossed with the imperial seal (estimated cost: £2,000-£2,500 a bottle).

Mr Molyneaux Berry said that the consignment also contained wine produced about 20 years ago "and absolutely splendid".

Sotheby's has already auctioned more than 13,000 bottles from the wineries. The sale last year brought in more than £600,000 in hard currency for the Soviet Union. The latest consignment is being loaded in Finland after its overland journey. The sale will be on November 26.

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SECURITY

KGB chief has few regrets

From CHARLES BREMNER IN NEW YORK

VLADIMIR Kryuchkov, the former KGB chief now under arrest for leading the Kremlin coup, has few regrets over his actions and hopes that he will be released to continue working for the state, he said in a television interview.

"I don't think I have done anything in my life that my motherland can hold against me now," Mr Kryuchkov said in a Soviet videotape obtained by CBS television. The former KGB head, described by Mr Gorbachev on Thursday as a man of erudition, looked defeated and haggard as he described his emotions during his imprisonment in a house outside Moscow.

"First I have to tell you that in my heart, deep down in my soul, I am swept by a whole range of emotions. I take very close to heart everything that has happened. I am recalling my whole life, my career, my profession, and I think I would have chosen the same path as I did if I were to make the decision now."

If he had the time over again he might have chosen a different course of action, said Mr Kryuchkov, whose betrayal of Mr Gorbachev, his patron, has particularly wounded the Soviet president. "If I were to reverse the time flow, some five, six days backwards, I would have taken an entirely different course so that I would not be sitting under arrest now," he said. "I hope the investigation will be unbiased. I hope people who will be appointed to conduct the investigation before trial will make a profound and complete study into the case, and will make optimal decision, taking stock of every aspect of it which would enable me to be released and continue working and be of some use to my motherland."

At the end of the interview he offered to answer more questions if his questioner would give him a newspaper so that he could bring himself up to date on developments.

DEFENCE

Army to split as republics form militias

By MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE failure of the coup and the rise in stature of Boris Yeltsin, the Russian Federation president, will lead to a splitting of the Soviet army, with all the republics running their own national guards or militias, according to defence experts yesterday. Mr Yeltsin is also expected to demand an increasing role in defence policy decision-making.

Yesterday, he refused to accept the appointment of General Mikhail Moiseyev as acting Soviet defence minister, forcing his replacement by Colonel-General of Aviation Yevgeni Shaposhnikov, aged 45, commander of the Soviet air forces and one of two senior officers whose refusal to support the coup guaranteed its failure.

The other officer was Lieutenant-General Pavel Grachev, aged 43, commander of airborne troops and a Hero of the Soviet Union for his exploits in the Afghan war. He, too, was rewarded yesterday, promoted to deputy defence minister. General Grachev had been paratroop commander for only six months. He replaces Colonel-General Vladislav Achalov, now a deputy defence minister, who was involved in the alleged march on Moscow and rumours of a coup in February and September last year.

The new appointments mean that all three acting heads of the key departments selected by Mr Gorbachev lasted just 24 hours because of Mr Yeltsin's apparent insistence on having his own choices in the top positions.

General Shaposhnikov's appointment is a subtantial snub to the army, since the hierarchy at the defence ministry, the deputy and first deputy ministers, is dominated by army generals. Mr Gorbachev's appointment of General Moiseyev to replace Marshal Dmitri Yazov, the former defence minister now under arrest, was never likely to please Mr Yeltsin.

The appointment of Vadim Bakatin as the new KGB chairman is also a snub to the conservative establishment, since he was fired as interior minister last year because of his liberal views. Similarly, the appointment of Viktor Barannikov, the Russian Federation police chief and staunch supporter of Mr Yeltsin, as the new interior minister, will cause an upheaval in this traditionally anti-reformist department.

The reform of the rest of the military establishment will depend on the conclusion of the Union Treaty which nine of the 15 republics are expected to sign. But the process of breaking up the Soviet army has begun and a weakened general staff may be unable to stop it.

Ever since the republics began forming their armies, the high command has denounced any attempt to change the structure of the Soviet forces. But the formation of republican armies or national guards is expected to spread across the Soviet Union. Georgia announced last December the setting up of a 13,000-man national guard. Mr Yeltsin is planning a national guard for the Russian republic; and the Ukraine has also suggested creating its own militia.

Craig Oliphant, of the Soviet studies centre at Sandhurst military academy, said a possible compromise would be for the army to split into republican departments; and then to have volunteers from the republics serving in more federal armed forces, manning strategic rocket units, the navy and the air force.

Bonn backs Baltic liberty

Bonn — In a rapid about face in German policy, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the foreign minister, called yesterday for greater importance to be accorded in future to individual Soviet republics and signalled support for quick independence for the Baltic states (Ian Murray writes).

In an article in *Nordsee Zeitung*, Herr Genscher said that with the failure of the Moscow coup and the end of the danger of military pressure, the Baltic states should be able to open negotiations quickly on their sovereignty. He urged the EC to be ready to start negotiations for associate membership with the three Baltic states once they obtained their independence.

Earlier this year, Bonn was conspicuously silent when Soviet troops were sent in to to try to crush the Baltic independence movements.

Links restored

Brussels — Nato governments agreed to restore political contacts with the Soviet Union which had been frozen during the coup and lifted an embargo on exchanges of people and information with the Soviet military. Boris Yeltsin, the Russian Federation president, told the allies the coup would not be repeated.

Patriarch's view

Moscow — Patriarch Aleksi, head of the Russian Orthodox Church, said the collapse of the coup meant the defeat of communist ideology in Russia. "Those days will not return when one ideology dominated the whole state and sought to impose itself on society," he said in a message to the faithful. (*Reuter*).

Call for help

Helsinki — President Koivisto said that President Gorbachev confessed last November to having "great difficulties and distress" and asked for help. Dr Koivisto said Mr Gorbachev was worried about attempts to disparage him and about the conservatives' attempts to stop his restructuring of the Soviet Union. (*AP*)

Freedom's flames destroy legacy of Hitler and Stalin

The shadow of the pact which enslaved the Baltics is lifting, writes **Anatol Lieven**

A CHAIN of beacon fires the length of the Baltic republics last night commemorated the anniversary of the signing of the Molotov-Ribbentrop pact in 1939. Balts believe they are now close to liquidating its consequences.

On August 23, 1939, the German and Soviet foreign ministers agreed that the Soviet Union would remain neutral in the nazi war against Poland, Britain and France, and that Hitler and Stalin would partition Poland, the Baltic states, and Romania. Today, removing the results of the pact will involve independence for the Baltic states, reunification of the Soviet republic of Moldavia with Romania, and possibly other territorial changes.

The initial arrangement was for Germany to take Lithuania, and the Soviet Union to take Estonia and Latvia. A month later, Germany swapped Lithuania for concessions including several tons of gold. The Soviet government immediately demanded that the Baltic states accept the stationing of Soviet garrisons. In June 1940 they were annexed. Stalinist repression began immediately, culminating in a wave of deportations and executions after June 14, 1941. When the Germans invaded less than a week later, they found support from many Balts.

The publication, under President Gorbachev, of the truth about the "secret protocols" of the Molotov-Ribbentrop pact, was central to the creation of the Baltic national movement. Through insistent pressure, the Balts succeeded in getting Moscow to admit that the pact was illegitimate. That undermined the legality and morality of Soviet status in the Baltic.

The commemoration of the pact and its outcome is part of what a Latvian deputy yesterday called "the renewal of our historic memories, of our national consciousness and culture, which is perhaps the most important factor in our struggle for independence".

Reference to the pact is also a key part of the strategy of the Baltic governments towards the West; a diplomatic offensive which is now mounting, after this week's events and in advance of the next meeting of the European Conference on Security and Co-operation in Moscow next month.

Baltic diplomats and representatives are reminding every Western government that the annexation of the Baltic state as a consequence of the pact is also the last unsolved consequence of the second world war. They point out that before the pact they were members of the League of Nations and many international bodies, and that they want membership renewed.

Lithuanian politicians hope that the Baltic republics will get full participation in the CSCE next month. Estonian diplomats, more pragmatically, are hoping for formal observer status as a first step. So far even this has been blocked by the Soviet government, but this obstruction is now considered very likely to disappear. Balts are determined to hold the West to its former public commitments to help the Baltic republics.

The harping back of the Balts to their only period of independence is inevitable, but it has a less positive side. This may or may not come to an end as the period of struggle and national mobilisation also ends, and gives way to that of the practical building of independence.

Ribbentrop: signing the infamous pact in 1939

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WESTERN AID

Germans seek new summits in drive to speed reform

From IAN MURRAY IN BONN

HELMUT Kohl, the German chancellor, will begin to lobby worldwide for more aid for the Soviet Union when he returns from his holidays next week.

He will also sound out leaders of the Group of seven industrialised democracies (G7) about holding another summit in London before the end of the year with President Gorbachev and leaders of the Soviet republics to discuss implementing economic reforms quickly.

Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the foreign minister, said he wanted not only another G7 summit but a special European Community summit to meet leaders of the East and Central European states, including the Soviet Union.

Dieter Vogel, the government spokesman, said help for the Soviet Union could not be simply a question of Germany going it alone; there had to be a joint effort. At the same time, on the Soviet side there had to be greater efforts by reformers to get on with their work.

The German government insisted that there had to be comprehensive reform of economic and finance policy in order for Western help to be justified. Herr Vogel said the government believed close cooperation between President Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin, the Russian president, would give a dynamic lift to the reform process.

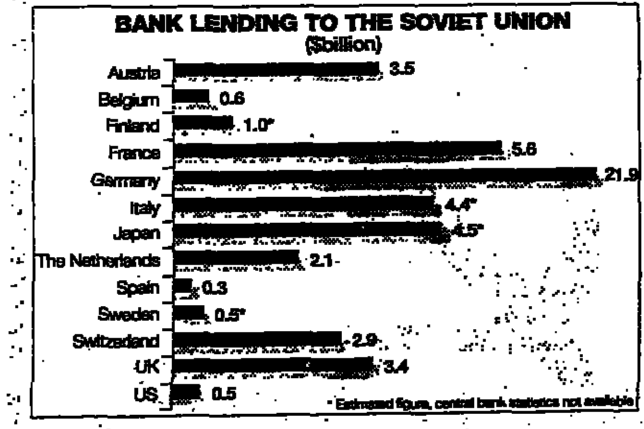
As far as the G7 was concerned, the government expected speedy efforts to implement the decision of the London economic summit to establish a special relationship between the Soviet Union and international financial institutions.

Jürgen Möllemann, the economics minister, also said yesterday that decisive action now by the G7 could prevent a repetition of the attempted coup against the Soviet leader. "If a new summit were called giving the Soviet republics a greater role, then we could go beyond the general declarations of intent and agree on a set course," he said.

He believed that lingering suspicions and antagonisms were behind the reluctance of many G7 members to provide more aid for the Soviet reforms. Since 1989 Germany has pledged to provide DM60 billion (£20.5 billion) worth of aid and credits to the Soviet Union, much of it to pay for the withdrawal of Soviet troops and to make unification possible.

"The aid from the West must be as massive as the aid from Germany has been so far," he said. "The past few days should have provided enough motivation." At a press conference later to announce his ministry's growth predictions for the year ahead, Herr Möllemann said that it was important to integrate the Soviet Union quickly into the world economy, making it a full member of the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. He urged negotiations with the EC aimed at closer economic co-operation.

The minister seemed confident of the Soviet Union's ability to pay its debts, even though the government has had to reimburse German companies with DM31.5 million so far for outstanding bills with Soviet importers. The German government guarantees approved exports sent to the Soviet Union and Herr Möllemann said that importers there were only lagging by DM400 million behind in payments out of the DM8.8 billion worth of orders this year.



On the shelf: nearly 1,000 cloth and plastic "Gorby" dolls, at $16.99 each, have been sold at Doll City in Orange, California, since the start of the three-day coup in the Soviet Union

PEKING

Chinese given a warning

From CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

PEKING told Chinese citizens yesterday that the army was under the tight control of the Communist party and would crush internal dissent. The Chinese People's Liberation Army, an article in the *People's Daily* said, was "a people's army created and controlled by the Communist party, a cornerstone of the people's democratic dictatorship, and bearing the sacred and historic missions of countering foreign invasions and internal subversion".

Similar articles have appeared almost daily since the crushing of the pro-democracy demonstrations of 1989. It was submitted by a 34-year-old teacher in reponse to an essay competition, and was probably written before the events in the Soviet Union.

The decision to publish it now might well be more than coincidence, given the obvious parallels between events in Moscow, and the democracy movement of 1989 in Peking. The message is clear: do not expect that the forces of democracy can vanquish the use of force here as they have done in the Soviet Union.

FEDERAL DILEMMA

Soviet dissension mars unity dream

From GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

WHEN Europe's politicians argue about the relative merits of developments in the Soviet Union they are also fighting a West European battle.

The Soviet Union is a union which is breaking up. Many European politicians want the European Community to become a United States of Europe. The lessons of almost every event in European history since the fall of the Berlin Wall have been uncomfortable for those who pursue the dream of a federal European state.

The nations of Eastern Europe are now looking to join the EC. An EC of perhaps 24 members is less likely to unite than the present club of 12. As Soviet power has collapsed, two federal unions have started to fray: Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union. Every potential new state east of the Elbe river poses an extra threat to the closer integration of Western Europe.

Advocates of an EC federal union are already appalled at the length of the possible queue for community membership. The creation of new states would only complicate matters. Schemes of loose economic association devised to keep applicants from Austria and Albania on the margins of the EC have not worked as intended and the pressure to enlarge the EC grows by the month.

A strongly-worded warning to the Moscow junta to keep soldiers out of the Baltic republics was only inserted in the EC's declaration on the coup at the urging of the Douglas Hurd and Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the British and German foreign ministers, who overcame resistance from Roland Dumas, their French colleague. France has been consistently lukewarm towards Baltic nationalism, fearing the creation of small, weak states which would come under German economic and political influence and the birth of yet more governments who might eventually join the EC and sap its will to unite.

Jacques Delors, president of the European Commission and standard-bearer for federalism, candidly admitted that he supports President Gorbachev and a strong Soviet centre. Decentralisation was certainly necessary in the Soviet Union, he told the European parliament this week, but romantic nationalism would turn out to be horribly expensive. We cannot unite the states of Western Europe and at the same time encourage the breakaway of Soviet republics, he said.

MEDIA BATTLE

Cashing in on the scramble for news

From SUSAN ELLICOTT IN WASHINGTON

AS REPORTS of the coup spread, Washington news bureau chiefs scoured America to find talking heads for their shows. A big winner in the media frenzy was the recently retired US ambassador to Moscow, Jack Matlock.

Mr Matlock's agent, Fifi Oscard, showing a New York nose for business, launched an auction for the ex-envoy's exclusive services and reportedly won her client $25,000 over the coming two months for 15 days of work for ABC. The deal enraged ABC's rivals. CBS News, which had offered Mr Matlock up to $1,500 a week, was miffed.

The former ambassador, who returned recently to the United States after a foreign service career spanning 11 years in the Soviet Union, also cancelled a scheduled free appearance on CBS's Sunday morning news round-up. Earlier this week, CNN interviewed Mr Matlock from the front porch of his Tennessee home.

Asked if the events in Moscow made him want to go back, he replied: "Not really ... There is a time to do all things and right now my place is here." The veteran diplomat has joined the ranks of General Norman Schwarzkopf and retired officials able to cash in on world events.

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Pub tenants go to court against big five brewers

By Tony Dawe

A THREE-pronged attack on Britain's major brewers is to be launched in the courts to protect public-house tenants whose livelihoods are threatened by an upheaval in the industry.

Two of the actions are being brought by the National Licensed Victuallers Association, which says that brewers are acting against the spirit of government plans for more competition in the trade. The third is brought by a publican who says that proposed rent increases would bankrupt him within a year.

The legal challenges form part of a campaign to make the big five brewers change policies, which many argue will lead to a substantial increase in public-house prices and could threaten the fabric of British social life.

Demonstrations at the Tory conference at Blackpool and a mass lobby of Parliament are planned. The prime minister wrote last week to the president of the victuallers' association, assuring him of Mr Major's support for ministers' efforts "to ensure that brewers behave responsibly towards their tenants". Peter Lilley, the trade secretary, is meeting heads of the major brewers to try to ease the crisis.

The target of all three legal actions is Inntrepreneur Estates, a company formed to run more than 8,000 Courage and Grand Metropolitan pubs. Further actions are likely against the other leading brewers, Allied, Bass and Whitbread.

The actions stem from the Monopolies and Mergers Commission report two years ago, after which the Department of Trade ordered the major brewers to dispose of many of their tied houses in order to improve competition.

The disposals have been going badly during the recession and the brewers have demanded higher rents, in return for better security.

Inntrepreneur is offering 20-year leases to its tenants, who will have the right to sell them on. The tenants are required, however, to pay for all repairs and insurance, previously undertaken by the brewers. The company insists that Courage tenants sign the new leases even though their existing agreements have years to run.

Kathy Davis, the association's legal officer, said: "Our advice is that if the tenant has fulfilled his part of the agreement, then the brewer has a contractual obligation to renew the existing lease."

The association is planning a High Court test case on behalf of John Little, tenant of the Alexandra Arms, Norwich, whose lease should have been renewed on August 1.

Writs have already been issued against Inntrepreneur by the association on behalf of publicans in Middlesex and Manchester over another aspect of the monopolies commission's changes.

It called on publicans in tied houses to be given the right to sell a beer not made by the owners of the pub. Inntrepreneur has imposed interim rent increases on those selling "guest beers", arguing that they are making a greater profit. The third legal action is to be brought in the county court by the Hardstone family which runs the *Jolly Farmer* at Bramley, near Guildford, Surrey. The lease offered them by Inntrepreneur would double their rents and leave them with a repair bill of £40,000.

Inntrepreneur said that it will defend all three actions. "Our new leases offer a complete retail opportunity to our tenants," a spokesman said. "Rents are being assessed on a completely different base from the past and will be fixed for the first five years and only reviewed every five years after that. Tenants will be tied to us only for the main beer, will be able to keep all income from gaming machines and will be able to assign their leases. In return for security, under the new laws, they will be responsible for repairs but any improvements they make will not lead to higher rents."

JULIAN HERBERT

Local difficulty: Steve (left) and Chris Hardstone, who fear for the village pub their family has run for 20 years

Brothers call time on soaring rent

Tony Dawe meets two landlords who fear that the country pub is in jeopardy

AN AUGUST bank holiday with a good weather forecast should bring smiles to the faces of publicans. But the brothers Chris and Steve Hardstone will find it difficult to keep cheerful as they bustle about their flower-bedecked pub in the Surrey village of Bramley.

On Monday week the notice they have been given to quit the Jolly Farmer, run by their family for 20 years, expires. They have refused to sign a new lease with the owners, the international Grand Metropolitan group, because their rent is being doubled and they face a substantial repair bill for the 400-year-old pub.

"The character and nature of the English country pub is at stake," Steve Hardstone says. "The issue is about more than money. This pub has been run by just three families over the last 100 years. It is an integral part of this village."

His brother adds: "If we are forced to quit, the brewery will find another tenant without difficulty. But that tenant will not be able to do any better than us financially and will be forced out. Tenants will come and go, the fabric of the pub will rot and the customers will disappear."

Like many tenants, the Hardstones have worked long hours to build up the trade and improve their pub. A terrace adorned with flowers has replaced a car park and a utility room has been replaced by an old timbered barn brought from a neigbouring village to form a restaurant.

The Hardstones discovered last year that they are now owned by Inntrepreneur Estates, a company formed by GrandMet to run most of its pubs and those it acquired from Courage. The new owners offered the Hardstones a 20-year lease but at an annual rent for the first five years of £35,000. The family also become responsible for repairing and insuring the pub. A survey estimated immediate repairs at £42,000.

Inntrepreneur agreed to a £15,000 rent reduction over the first two years to offset some repairs. The company will not discuss individual cases but justifies its rent rises in general terms by pointing out that the tenants get a fixed rent for the first five years, greater security and the right to assign the lease to another person for a profit.

All that fails to impress the Hardstones. "There is no way we can afford this deal," said Chris.

The family hopes that a clause in the Landlord and Tenant act might prove their salavation. If it can prove to a county court judge that a substantial part of its income, from the sale of food and non-alcoholic drinks, does not derive from GrandMet, the company will be unable to impose its new terms.

Glory beckons Short, the nice man of chess world

By Daniel Johnson

BY HIS victory over the Russian grandmaster Boris Gelfand in their quarter-final of the world chess championship, Nigel Short has eliminated the man whom the champion himself, Gary Kasparov, last year tipped as his most dangerous potential challenger.

After he demonstrated superb fighting qualities to win by a handsome 5-3 margin, the possibility must now be taken seriously that the world champion's next challenger might be Short, one of the few people to have beaten Kasparov in individual games.

The only one other Englishman of modern times to have come this far is Jon Speelman, who was knocked out in the semi-final of the last three-year cycle. Short and Speelman are the two highest-ranked players of a phalanx of young British grandmasters. Only the Soviet Union is stronger.

Short: great gifts as a teacher of chess

Considering that chess is such a cruel game, those who have met Nigel Short marvel that, away from the board, he is by common consent one of the nicest and most magnanimous of men. Despite having attained great skill as a boy, he is a living refutation of all the unkind assumptions about the personalities of child prodigies.

He is happily married to a Greek wife, Rea, and their daughter Kyveli was born only last month. For the latter half of the match against Gelfand both were with him, and Short seems to have been inspired by the experience of fatherhood.

He is generous to amateurs. After his recent victory over his old rival Speelman, which propelled him into the match with Gelfand, Short could be seen demonstrating with infinite care how he had won the final game to a spectator, the former prime minister Lord Callaghan, who by his own admission is a *patzer* (weak player). Short is never patronising

He has, indeed, great gifts as a teacher and has done much to popularise chess in Britain. Bespectacled and highly articulate, he can give the appearance of a young prize fellow of All Souls. But his chess career left no room for university. He has lost his former shyness and hesitancy, but he remains delightfully modest.

Though no scholar, he is certainly a gentleman and treats his opponents with unfeigned respect. But Short can be harsh towards masters who transgress his own strict code of competitive ethics, and believes organisers should punish bad behaviour.

He admires Kasparov's achievements, but is critical of what he sees as the world champion's gamesmanship. Short objects in particular to Kasparov's notoriously unsettling glare, directed at his opponents while they are thinking about their moves.

Moves from game eight:

Gelfand white	Short black		
White	Black	White	Black
1 d4	Nf6	27 Kf2	Qa5
2 c4	e6	28 Rh1	Qxc3
3 Nf3	d5	29 Rae1	Bd7
4 Nc3	Nbd7	30 hxg6	Rxg6
5 Qc2	Be7	31 Qxe4	Kg8
6 cxd5	exd5	32 Qxb7	Qc2+
7 Bf4	c6	33 Re2	Qf5+
8 h3	Nf8	34 Bf4	Rc8
9 e3	Ng6	35 Qf3	c3
10 Bh2	0-0	36 e4	Qa5
11 Bd3	Re8	37 d5	c2
12 Ne5	Bd6	38 e5	Rc3
13 f4	c5	39 Qh5	h6
14 0-0	c4	40 e6	Be8
15 Be2	Bb4	41 Bc1	Qxd5
16 f5	Nf8	42 e7	Rxg5
17 Bf3	Bxc3	43 Bxg5	Qf5+
18 bxc3	Bd7	44 Ke1	c1Q+
19 g4	Bc6	45 Bxc1	Rxc1+
20 Qg2	N8d7	46 Kd2	Rc2+
21 g5	Nxe5	47 Kd1	Qd3+
22 Bxe5	Ne4	48 Ke1	Qg3+
23 Bxe4	dxe4	49 Kd1	Qd3+
24 h4	Kh8	50 Ke1	Qc3+
25 f6	g6	51 Kf2	Qd4+
26 h5	Rg8	White resigns	

Duke halts rock star's Blenheim concert

A CONCERT by the American entertainer Prince at Blenheim Palace was cancelled yesterday, eight days before it was due to take place. More than 75,000 people had been expected to attend the show on August 31.

Diamond Promotions, the organisers, said the Duke of Marlborough had withdrawn permission for the show to take place in the grounds. They said the concert would be held at a venue within a 30-mile radius of Blenheim. The location is to be announced later today.

Prince's record company, Paisley Park Enterprises, claimed the concert had been called off after a series of disputes with the promoters. It said the singer had been prepared to reduce his fee so that the concert could go ahead, but attempts to save the show had failed.

Thames Valley police said: "The Duke of Marlborough has informed police that he is stopping the concert on August 31. Policing arrangements for the concert have been cancelled and persons who have purchased tickets are advised to obtain a refund through the ticket agency."

In a statement from the US, Prince said: "I promise to do my best to re-schedule the show at the earliest possible opportunity and will plan something extra, extra special to make this up to everyone in and around the UK."

George Partridge, district councillor for Bladon, the village lying across the park from Blenheim, said villagers had been worried about noise and traffic congestion.

The last big concert held at Blenheim Palace was in 1983, when more than 40,000 fans heard Barry Manilow.

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Tory group attacks Aids 'lifestyle'

Conservative Family Campaign, devoted to promoting "traditional Christian values", is planning to launch an attack next week on the "debauched lifestyles" of Aids victims.

The group, sponsored by 30 Tory MPs, will demand stringent controls on those infected with the virus and argue for priority to be given to protecting the public rather than for helping victims. John Major will be challenged to introduce American-style legislation to make it a criminal offence for health workers with the Aids virus to conceal their condition from patients.

A 12-point charter of responsibility will also be published next Tuesday by the group.

Market 'farces'

ITV had been demoralised and paralysed by intransigent politicians, David Elstein, of Thames Television, said, giving the James MacTaggart lecture at the Edinburgh Television Festival. He said "market farces" not market forces had been introduced, with disastrous blind bidding for the new Channel 3 licences.

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Household rise

The number of households in England will rise by 2.8 million over the next 20 years to nearly 22 million, according to government projections. Environmentalists said a new city the size of London would be needed to house them and warned ministers to refurbish inner cities rather than unleash a wave of new building in the countryside.

BANK HOLIDAY BLACK SPOTS

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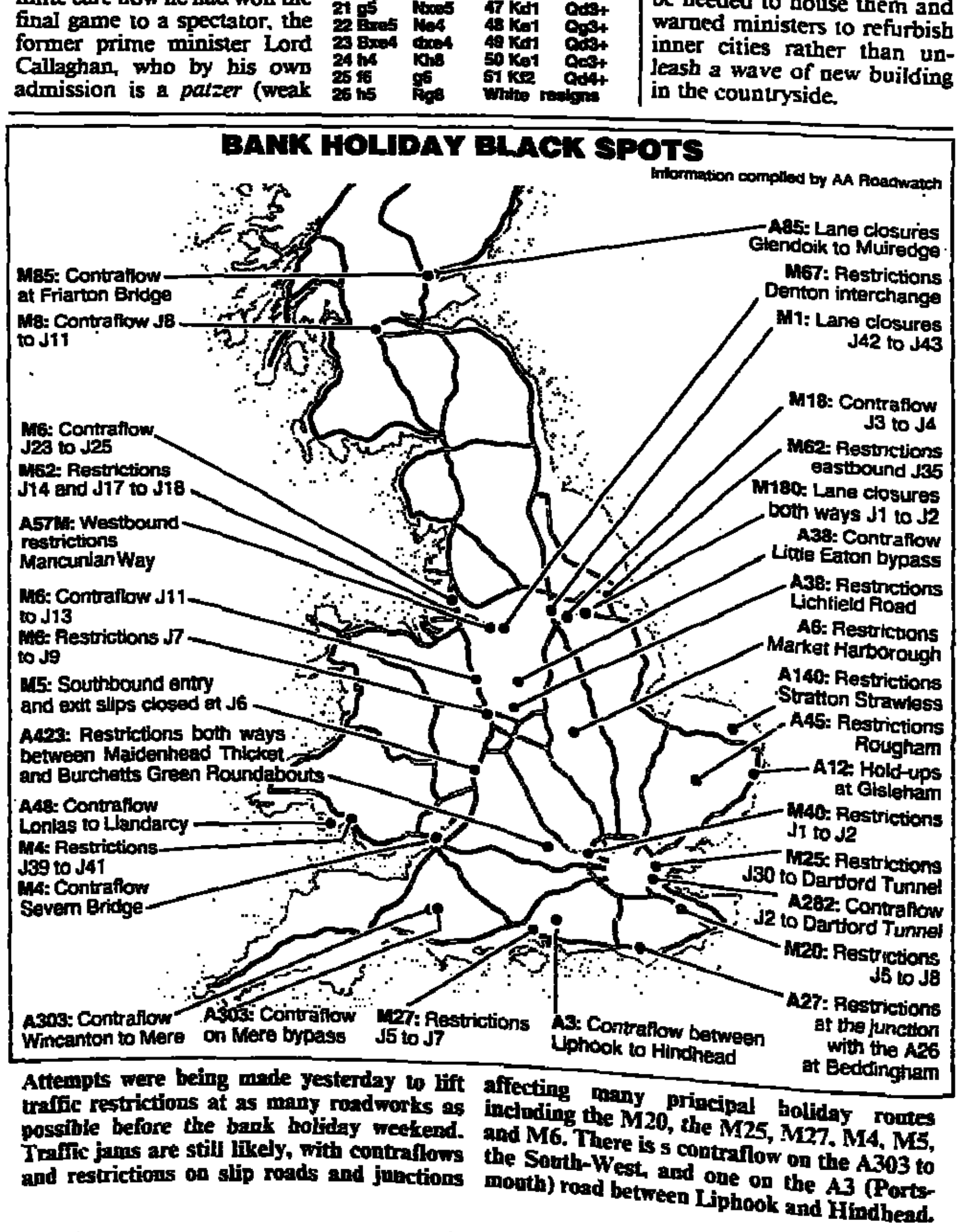
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M6: Contraflow J23 to J25
M62: Restrictions eastbound J35
M62: Restrictions J14 and J17 to J18
M180: Lane closures both ways J1 to J2
A57M: Westbound restrictions Mancunian Way
A38: Contraflow Little Eaton bypass
M6: Contraflow J11 to J13
A38: Restrictions Lichfield Road
M6: Restrictions J7 to J9
A6: Restrictions Market Harborough
M5: Southbound entry and exit slips closed at J6
A140: Restrictions Stratton Strawless
A423: Restrictions both ways between Maidenhead Thicket and Burchetts Green Roundabouts
A45: Restrictions Rougham
A12: Hold-ups at Gisleham
A48: Contraflow Lonlas to Llandarcy
M40: Restrictions J1 to J2
M4: Restrictions J39 to J41
M25: Restrictions J30 to Dartford Tunnel
M4: Contraflow Severn Bridge
A282: Contraflow J2 to Dartford Tunnel
M20: Restrictions J5 to J8
A303: Contraflow Wincanton to Mere
A303: Contraflow on Mere bypass
M27: Restrictions J5 to J7
A3: Contraflow between Liphook to Hindhead
A27: Restrictions at the junction with the A26 at Beddingham

Attempts were being made yesterday to lift traffic restrictions at as many roadworks as possible before the bank holiday weekend. Traffic jams are still likely, with contraflows and restrictions on slip roads and junctions affecting many principal holiday routes including the M20, the M25, M27, M4, M5, and M6. There is s contraflow on the A303 to the South-West, and one on the A3 (Portsmouth) road between Liphook and Hindhead.

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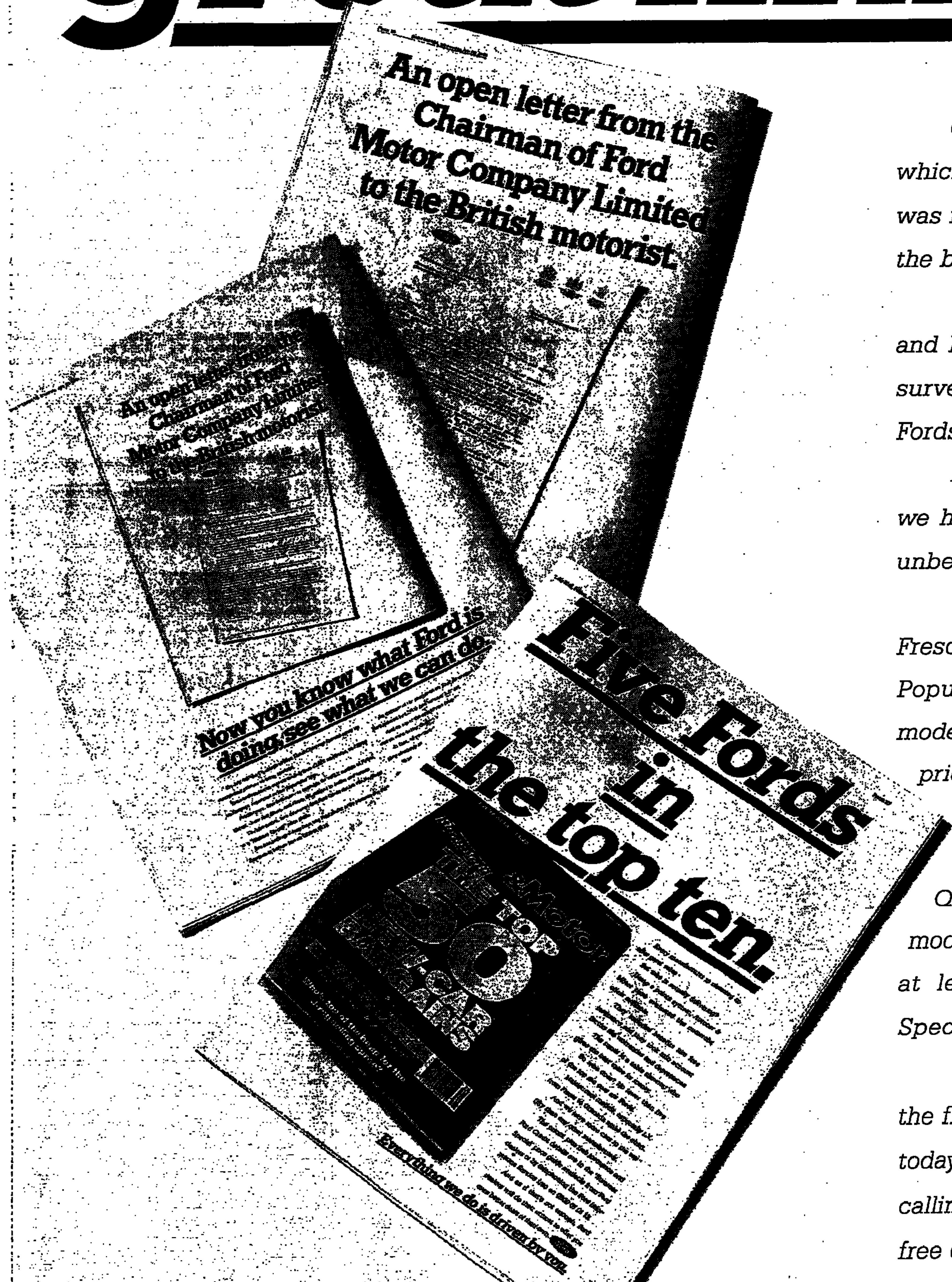
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Lack of beds claim prompts enquiry into paediatric care

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

THE British Paediatric Association is to investigate facilities for paediatric intensive care throughout Britain after concern expressed that some critically ill children are unable to get access to appropriate services.

The association has asked Duncan Matthew, director of the general paediatric intensive care unit at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, to reconvene a committee he chaired in 1987 to look into the provision of services for children between aged between one month and 16 years.

The 1987 report recommended that a specialist paediatric intensive care unit be set up in each of the 14 health regions supported by intensive care facilities in general hospitals. The association said yesterday its council had just approved a new working party to update the report after concern about insufficient facilities and the effect of the internal market on referrals to specialist facilities.

The working party's terms of reference are to "investigate and report on facilities, organisation and staffing, including training, for intensive care of infants outside the neo-natal period and older children". It will look in particular at the provision in district general hospitals and the need to develop regional centres with a collection system, whereby a team of experts goes to collect a sick child armed with specialist equipment.

Michael Levin, head of paediatrics at St Mary's hospital, west London, said that one third of children who have illnesses such as meningitis and encephalitis or acute respiratory failure are turned away from specialist units in the capital because of the lack of intensive care beds.

They are either referred to adult intensive care units, treated at local district general hospitals where there are no specialist facilities or admitted after an "unacceptable delay" of more than 24 hours, to one of the 12 paediatric intensive care beds in London. Professor Levin said that London needed at least 30 more beds to meet the demands of the population in Greater London and the South-East.

The health department said yesterday it would nominate an observer to sit on the working party and would work with the National Health Service management executive as part of its annual review procedure to see what action health authorities were taking on pediatric intensive care.

A spokesman said: "It is up to district health authorities to decide the volume of services they need to purchase from provider units but we accept that further information on the demand for pediatric intensive care would be helpful."

Ulster victim is buried

THE funeral of a soldier killed on Saturday by an IRA landmine in Armagh was held yesterday in the Guards Chapel, where he was married five months ago, two days before going to Northern Ireland.

Four hundred mourners were in the chapel at Wellington Barracks, central London, at the service for Lance-Corporal Simon Ware, of the Coldstream Guards, who was 22. His wife Carol, aged 24, watched as the priest who married them, Father Michael Seed, conducted the service.

After the funeral service, Corporal Ware, a Roman Catholic, was buried in a cemetery in his home town of Enfield, north London.

TIM BISHOP

Final touches: Makede Roberts, aged three, of the Trinidad and Tobago club, gets a new hair style and tries out her costume for the annual Notting Hill carnival, taking place in north Kensington tomorrow and Monday. Carnival guide, page 16

An underground art form where death tags along

Spray-can graffiti costs London Underground £5 million a year; some of the writers have paid with their lives, reports Michael Dynes

AFTER 15 months of spray-painting garish designs on London Underground trains and stations, Nicholas Kent, aged 18, was sentenced by Knightsbridge crown court yesterday to two years' probation and ordered to pay £150 compensation.

Kent, from Westminster, is one of perhaps 1,000 teenage paint sprayers in London responsible for what has been described as a plague of graffiti painting. Other European cities have experienced similar problems, reminiscent of the experience of North American cities, particularly New York, two decades ago.

Kent's offences were not the occasional scribbling of misspelt slogans; he specialised in wall-to-wall work, causing £10,000 worth of damage before being caught.

Like many of his colleagues, Kent appears to have been obsessed with spraying his tag, the street term given to his personal and stylised name or symbol, on trains and property across London. His action was motivated principally by the desire for personal kudos among his fellow graffiti writers.

The graffiti cult is said to have arrived from the US in the mid-1980s. While some observers believe that the phenomenon should be tolerated as an exciting new art form, others see it merely as ugly scrawls on walls."

The critics put much of the blame for its spread on London boroughs, such as Camden, which in 1985 invited six New York graffiti writers to show off their craft, and publishing houses, such as Thames and Hudson, which printed the two books on graffiti that have become the bibles of the genre.

Supporters insist that graffiti is a legitimate form of cultural expression for under-privileged groups, offering teenagers the kind of creative outlet denied to them elsewhere. It is said that some graffiti writers have used the technique to gain entrance to further education, where they have gone on to successful careers in art and design.

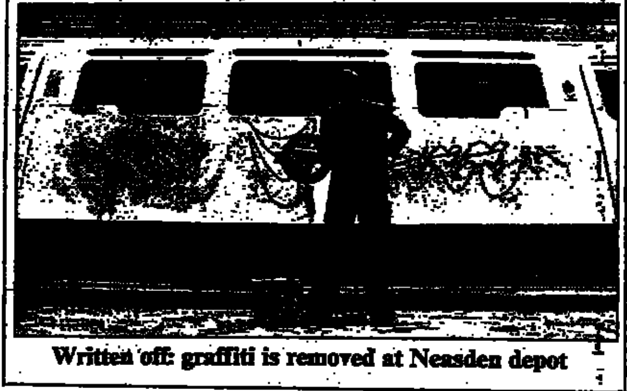
Little attention, though, has been paid to the human, economic, and social costs of graffiti. Since 1987, five teenagers have been killed while daubing slogans on trains. Graffiti damage to London Underground property is estimated at £5 million a year. In addition, untold thousands of passengers become fearful of travelling because of the threatening atmosphere which graffiti creates.

Chris Connell, the British transport police inspector who heads the ten-man anti-graffiti unit, says that the hard core of graffiti writers, believed to number some 60 individuals, "are highly organised, well equipped, and prepared to take terrible risks to get their tag displayed on London Underground trains".

Catching them can take years. Each time a tag appears on a train or wall it is photographed and indexed, providing the police with a geographical range of the writer's activities, and a dossier of damage that frequently amounts to £50,000 by the time the case comes to court. Nocturnal stakeouts are mounted, and, occasionally, the perpetrators are caught.

The home searches which follow invariably provide evidence of links with other graffiti gang members, as well as revealing hundreds, sometimes thousands, of stolen aerosol paint cans. Often officers meet parents at their wits' end about how to deal with their children. The courts usually give offenders community service orders and almost half re-offend within 12 months.

In an attempt to prevent the cult continuing, the police have been instructing 10 to 14-year-olds about the dangers of graffiti writing. It could be years before the strategy begins to show results. But, Mr Connell said: "Our task would be less daunting if we had more support from parents, community groups, and the local authorities."



Written off: graffiti is removed at Neasden depot

Drunken signalman fell asleep

A BRITISH Rail signalman who had been drinking on duty slept in his signal box while three telephones rang and his boss banged on the door.

When Krish Rama, aged 26, awoke he staggered and fell before reaching the door. While he had been asleep, three British Rail trains and several District Line tube trains had been halted for up to an hour.

At Isleworth crown court yesterday, Rama, of Kilburn, north London, denied endangering the lives of passengers — a charge that was left to lie on file — but admitted obstructing engines and carriages. He said that he had not been drinking in the signal box, at Acton, west London, but the court was told that an almost empty whisky bottle had been found in his bag.

Timothy Probert-Wood, for the prosecution, said that the operations controller who had been trying to rouse him by hammering on the door for three minutes smelled whisky on his breath, and Rama was later seen by a doctor who decided that he was suffering "acute alcohol intoxication".

Mr Probert-Wood said that Rama had been slumped in his chair. "Three telephones were ringing in the box and a number of lights were flashing."

Rama was remanded on bail for reports to be sentenced on September 13. Judge David Miller said: "He had a responsible job as a signalman. At this moment I have a custodial sentence in mind."

Heads fail practical skills

By DAVID TYTLER
EDUCATION EDITOR

TOO many teachers who want to be heads and deputies are "armchair philosophers" who are strong on theory, but weak on the practice of running a school, according to a headteachers' union.

"Teachers can go to an interview and talk about educational values, but on the job they are a bit shakier," said Howard Green, director of Oxford Polytechnic's educational assessment centre for future heads and deputies. The £250,000 centre, funded by industry and the government, was set up by the Secondary Heads Association, which represents most heads and deputies in the country's 4,000 state secondary schools.

Mr Green said that about a third of 24 would-be heads who attended the centre in its first year were unable to translate theory into practice. The Gulbenkian Foundation has given £10,000 for further training for heads.

Chris Lowe, president of the association, said: "It is bizarre that we as a union should be going round the country helping heads to perform better, something that is vital to the country and something that should be properly funded."

Teachers spend a day and a half at the centre, and are assessed for judgment leadership and education values.

An education department spokesman said that training of senior staff was a priority recognised by £12 million in government grants this year.

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All cigarette packets to say 'smoking kills'

By SHEILA GUNN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

STRICTER controls on cigarette advertising will be brought into force next month in an attempt to fend off demands from the European Commission for a total ban.

The new deal between the government and tobacco advertisers includes an agreement to carry the warning "Smoking Kills" on all cigarette packets. Stricter rules about the siting of advertisements, and greater care by advertisers not to target young people or women of childbearing age, are also understood to be near agreement.

Under the existing deal the tobacco companies carry health warnings on all cigarette packets and agree not to site advertisements on hoardings near schools. Advertisements for cigarettes and hand-rolling tobacco have been banned on television and radio since 1964 and the ban is to be extended to cover cigars and pipe tobacco.

The new voluntary restrictions will arm William Waldegrave, the health secretary, with fresh ammunition at the European health ministers meeting in November for opposing the EC plans for a Community-wide ban on tobacco advertising.

The proposed ban would also cover indirect tobacco advertising through an association of popular brands with other products.

The Commons' select committee on European legislation yesterday announced an enquiry into the likely impact a total ban would have on public health, health spending, tobacco production, advertisers and the media, sport and other beneficiaries of tobacco industry sponsorship. The MPs also want to find out the effect on local councils that let out advertising hoardings and which would have to monitor a ban.

The Conservative-dominated committee, which is chaired by Nigel Spearing, Labour MP for Newham South, has also asked the government for an analysis of the effect of a ban, as operated in France, Italy, Portugal and, outside the Community, in Norway.

The health department told the committee that the government still opposes a total ban and believes a voluntary agreement is the best way to regulate advertising. The department said that it had never been convinced that a Community measure was necessary for the completion of the internal market.

"The evidence to justify a total ban on tobacco advertising on health grounds is not clear. Countries with total bans on tobacco advertising have not had significantly greater success in reducing smoking than has the United Kingdom, which has one of the best records in Europe," the department said.

The European Commission estimates that in 1986 about 250,000 fulltime workers depended on the tobacco industry while cigarette advertisements accounted for no more than 2 per cent of total advertising.

Soldier charged over chase

A soldier was charged with drink-driving yesterday after an army personnel carrier was chased for two hours around a garrison town. Police set up road-blocks and army officers sent two other personnel carriers to join police cars in a *pursuit around Colchester,* Essex.

The soldier, understood to be a 22-year-old craftsman with the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, gave himself up near the city centre and was arrested by military police.

Ex-MP in court

John Ryman, the former Labour MP for Blyth Valley, was committed for trial on charges of obtaining by deception £113,000 from a 63-year-old widow. Ryman, aged 61, was remanded in custody by Bath magistrates.

Contrary view

Villagers at Weare Giffard in Devon have voted against a flood protection scheme because it included a 4ft wall that would have obscured views of the river Torridge.

Rapist jailed

Steven Barnaby, a farm worker, of Freshwater, Isle of Wight, was jailed for nine years at Winchester crown court for raping a girl aged 14.

Doorman shot

Police are hunting two men who shot Gy Amosu, a doorman, in the leg with a handgun after he refused them entry to *the Limelight Club in London.*

Sacking protest

About 300 men walked off a construction site at Sellafield after British Nuclear Fuels dismissed seven scaffolders.

Port privatised

The port of Bristol is to be leased to the shipping firm First Corporate by the city council in a £36 million deal.

Beggars arrested

About 70 vagrants have been arrested in Brighton after a police operation against violent beggars.

Boys found after night on mountain

By KERRY GILL

TWO boys aged 14 were found safe and well yesterday after an 18-hour search in the Highlands. The boys, who went missing from a hill-walking party on Ben Lawers, the 3,984ft peak north of Loch Tay, walked into a village after spending all night on the mountain.

They survived the night because of mild weather but were badly equipped for their ordeal. The incident occurred less than 10 days after 15 children, also poorly equipped and led by a girl aged 18, narrowly escaped death from exposure in the Grampians, 20 miles further north.

The two boys were in a party of six from the Glasgow area which was led by a social worker and companion. As they descended the mountain on Thursday they had told their leader that they would carry on ahead. The search, involving police, a mountain rescue team and an RAF helicopter, was started after the boys failed to arrive at a local visitors' centre.

Arts world mourns friend of princess

BY SIMON TAIT, ARTS CORRESPONDENT

LORD Palumbo, chairman of the Arts Council, yesterday paid tribute to Adrian Ward-Jackson, the former chairman of the Arts Council's dance panel, who died of Aids yesterday, aged 41.

The Princess of Wales, Mr Ward-Jackson's friend and fellow ballet enthusiast, had been at his bedside at St Mary's hospital, Paddington, west London, shortly before his death, after breaking her family holiday at Balmoral. Mr Ward-Jackson, a former governor of the Royal Ballet and chairman of the Rambert Dance Company, resigned from the Arts Council in May as his illness worsened.

Lord Palumbo said news of his death "will be mourned throughout the world of dance which has lost a friend, a passionate advocate and a tireless worker in its cause. As chairman of the dance panel at the Arts Council he *brought* a *vitality,* a *purpose,* a sense of mission, a commitment, an enthusiasm and a huge knowledge of the subject than can seldom if ever have been equalled."

Mr Ward-Jackson, an art dealer, was made a CBE for services to the performing arts, and was known for his work with the Aids Crisis Trust and as patron of the London Lighthouse hospice for Aids patients. The Royal Ballet praised Mr Ward-Jackson's work at Covent Garden and said that the company was very sad to learn of his death.

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MICHAEL POWELL

Back from the US: the overmantle from Hamilton Palace drawing room, is unpacked. The room has been bought from the Metropolitan Museum, New York

Glasgow and Edinburgh clash over gallery plan

Why not site the proposed National Gallery of Scottish Art in Glasgow? Kerry Gill reports on a renewed outbreak of cultural rivalry

THE cultural rivalry between Scotland's two main cities has resurfaced with a suggestion that the proposed National Gallery of Scottish Art should be built in Glasgow, a proposition that yesterday inflamed the country's capital.

Pat Lally, leader of Glasgow district council, has offered a site for the £20 million gallery in the city centre currently occupied by council offices. Eleanor McLaughlin, Lord Provost of Edinburgh, replied by saying that Mr Lally's offer was only an attempt to resurrect the artificial rivalry between the cities and that the proposal contained little more substance than a music hall joke. Mr Lally countered saying that her views were irrelevant.

The idea of a national art gallery that would bring together under one roof the country's artistic heritage came largely from Timothy Clifford, director of the National Galleries of Scotland, who announced the plan earlier this month. It seemed that no one doubted that the gallery would be placed in Edinburgh, home of the National Galleries of Scotland, until Mr Lally popped up with his spoiler.

But Mr Clifford, who assumed that his idea would come to fruition next to the National Gallery of Modern Art in Edinburgh, was less than irked by Mr Lally's suggestion. "It sounds to me, superficially, that it is not a bad idea at all. We are open to be seduced," he said, adding that to have the gallery in the west would mean a "doubling of infrastructure".

Mr Lally does not believe that Glasgow has received fair recognition from government ministers for its cultural advance in recent years. "Everyone else recognises that we have a solid record of achievement. We got next to no financial input from the government when Glasgow was European cultural capital. We virtually had to do it all on our own," he said. "What we are demanding is that the traditional practice of putting institutions into Edinburgh really has to stop."

Glasgow will ask for its offer to be considered in a feasibility study for the gallery. The government has promised £50,000 for the study, which will consider views as the plans develop.

To rub salt into the wound of Glasgow's frustrated cultural ambitions, the National Museums of Scotland yesterday announced that it has bought the Hamilton Palace drawing room from the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, and that it will be reconstructed in due course at the new Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh.

The drawing room was part of the baroque palace built in Lanarkshire between 1693 and 1697 by William, third duke of Hamilton and his wife, Anne. The palace was pulled down in 1920 and the Metropolitan Museum acquired the drawing room from the estate of William Randolph Hearst in 1956.

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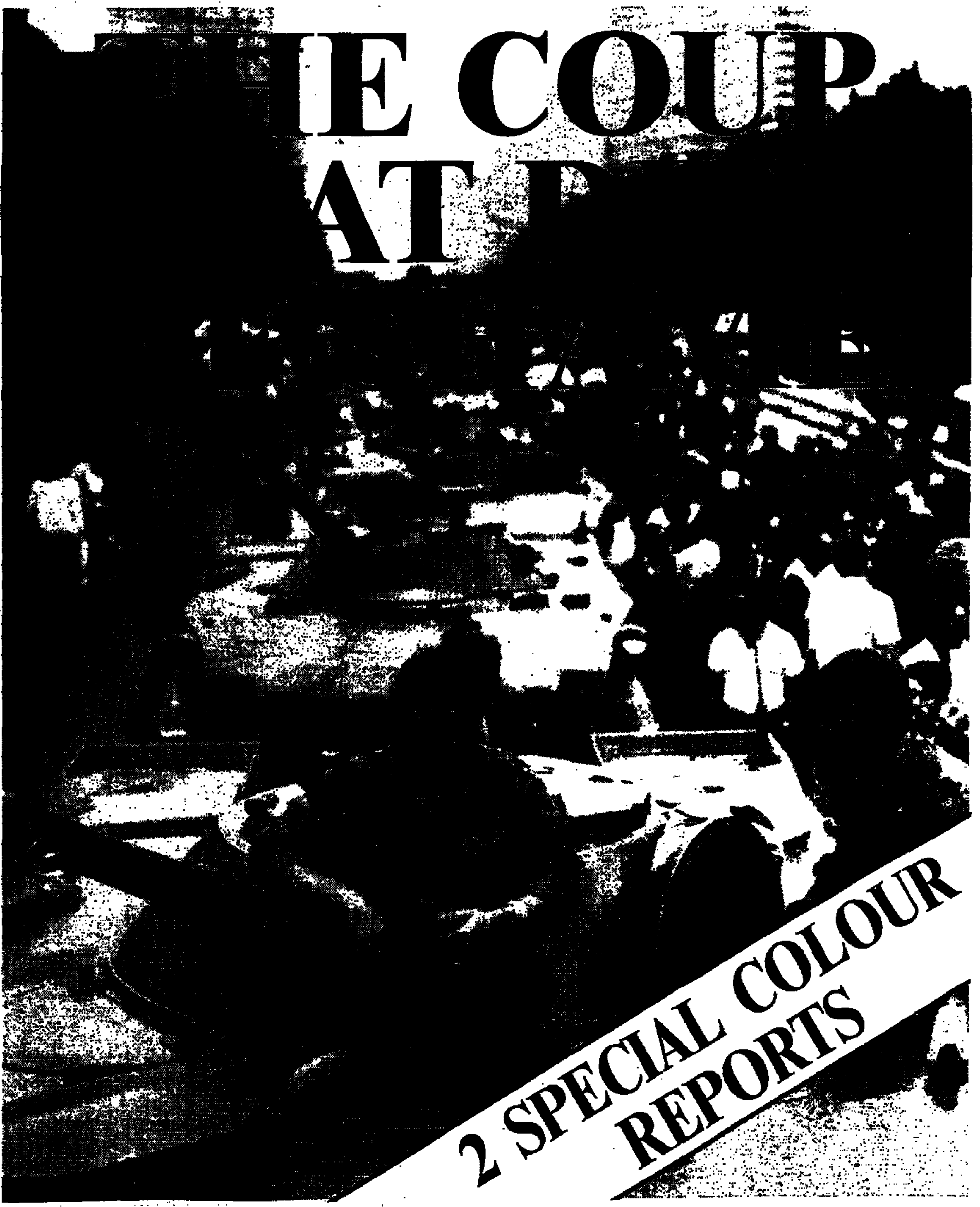


TOMORROW

Britain turns down Kuwait call for bases

From MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA

BRITAIN has turned down a request from Kuwait for the establishment on its territory of British and American military bases to protect it from President Saddam Hussein of Iraq.

The call underlines the popular notion in Kuwait that the Syrian and Egyptian forces in the Gulf war played a largely symbolic role, while it was Western technology that liberated the emirate and offers the best protection for the future. It was made at a meeting late on Thursday night between members of Kuwait's national assembly and the foreign minister, Sheikh Salem al-Sabah.

However, a Foreign Office spokesman said there was no question of stationing ground forces in the area. "But we are ready to look at proposals for joint exercises and temporary deployment of ships and aircraft as ways of underpinning the Gulf's own security arrangements."

Britain and the United States have said they are prepared to keep naval forces in the Gulf, but are very reluctant to have bases on Kuwaiti soil because they would be vulnerable propaganda targets for those opposed to Western influence in the region.

The Kuwaiti call can be expected to draw harsh criticism from Iran, which is keen to play a significant role in Gulf security and is strongly opposed to any Western presence in the region.

"An extremely important argument against Western bases in Kuwait is that it would alienate Iran, which would in turn destabilise Gulf security," said Brian Pridham, director of Gulf Arab studies at Exeter University. "As the most powerful state in the region, Iran simply must be involved."

The call is also at odds with Kuwait's insistence in the past that there would be no permanent American or allied military presence in the emirate, a position reiterated in May by the defence minister, Sheikh Ali Sabah al-Salem.

"It is significant that the Kuwaitis have swallowed their pride and policy on the question of Western bases," Mr Pridham said. "Of all the Gulf Arab states, the Kuwaitis had always taken a sanctimonious, holier-than-thou attitude, insisting they could do without Western help in this way."

In a hasty agreement drawn up in March, Kuwait and the other members of the Gulf Co-Operation Council decided that Syrian and Egyptian troops would be the backbone of a postwar Gulf security force. But the agreement collapsed as Kuwait made it clear it felt safer in Western hands and that the contribution from Cairo and Damascus would come with too many political and financial strings.

In the weeks leading up to the anniversary of the invasion, Kuwait's crown prince and prime minister, Sheikh Saad al-Abdulla al-Sabah, said that Saddam still had designs on the emirate and another invasion could not be ruled out. Some diplomats saw this as preparing the ground for the call to establish Western bases in Kuwait, and said it was irresponsible. Many Kuwaitis, fearing another invasion, rushed their money out of the country.

Charity helps to rescue horses of Petra

By ADAM KELLIHER

WARS often claim unsuspecting victims, but one of the stranger footnotes to the Gulf conflict is that it nearly led to the death of 355 horses living near the ancient Jordanian city of Petra. Only the intervention of a British charity saved them.

President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait just over a year ago effectively put an end to tourism in the Middle East, and few holiday locations were more affected than Petra, three hours south of Amman. Petra, the "rose-red city 'half as old as time'" was the magnificent former capital of the long-extinct Nabataean race.

After the invasion of Kuwait, travellers stopped coming here and about 5,000 local people, dependent on tourism, lost their livelihood. Among them were the owners of horses used to carry visitors down a long path through a narrow ravine to enter the famous city carved out of the rock.

Few of them could afford to continue feeding their horses and, by October, 20 of them had died of hunger. According to Nyazi Shabaan, Petra's tourism director, at least 100 owners were thinking of having their horses destroyed.

It was then that the Brooke Hospital here, a private British-based charity which also has veterinary facilities in Egypt, India and Pakistan, came to the rescue and provided emergency funding to give each owner 15 dinars (£10) a month to purchase food.

Now that the subsidy had ended but only a minimal tourist flow had resumed, several owners said they were eking out a meagre existence. However, they said that their attachment to their horses was too great to have them put down.

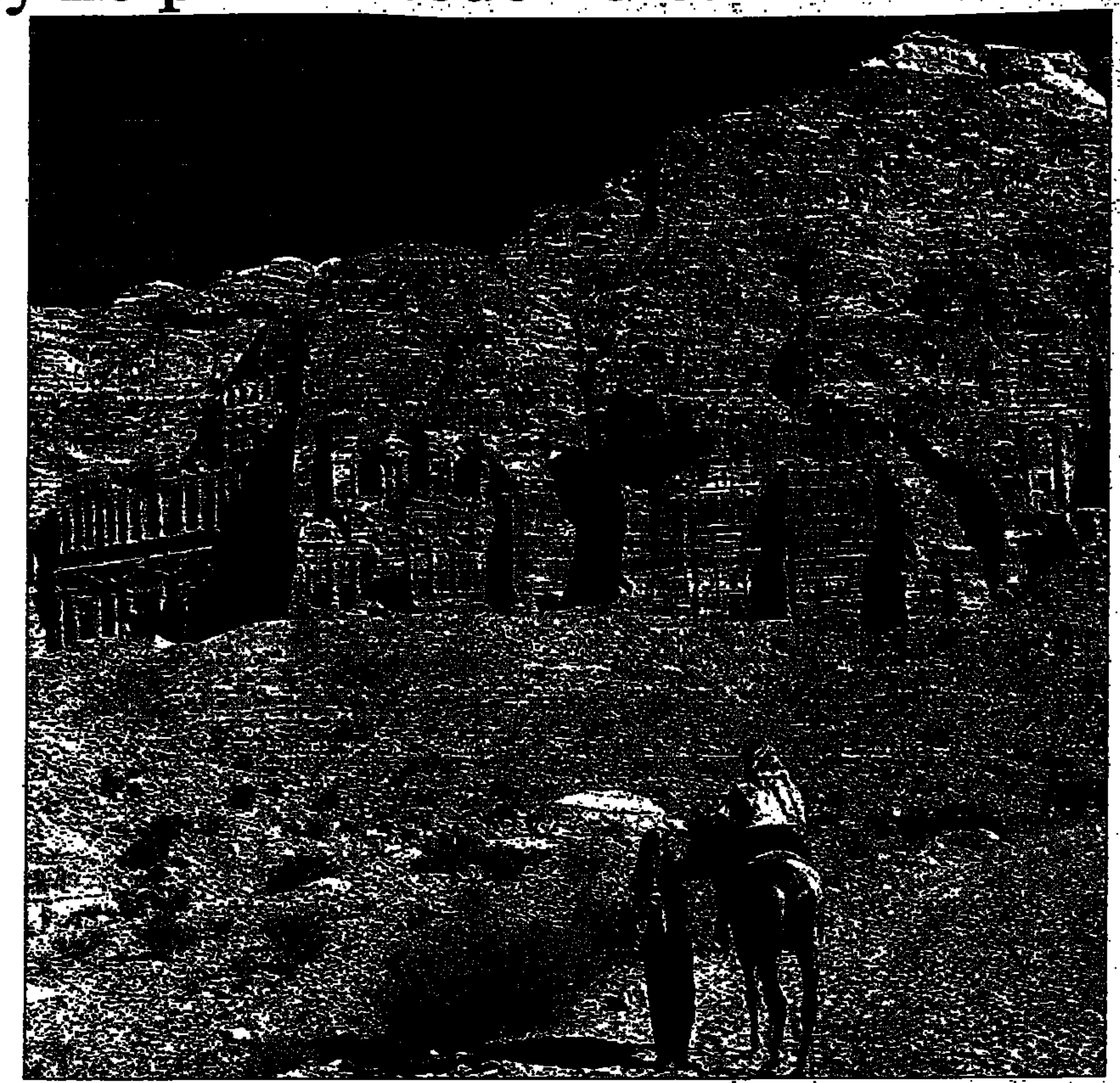
All agreed that the horses were saved by the Brooke Hospital, which opened a clinic at Petra in 1988.

The horses looked in good shape through the work of the clinic, located at the start of the path that leads down to Petra. A horse is the best way to arrive through one of the most fantastic entrances provided by nature. The ravine was paved at the height of the Nabataean empire some 2,200 years ago, when the Arab race controlled caravan routes all the way into Syria and managed to resist the encroaching Romans.

Now the route is covered with stone and shale, and it is best to let the horse do the stumbling in order to savour the passage through the tight ravine, which towers some 300ft on either side, looking at some of the world's strangest geological formations, with blobby stone outcrops giving the appearance of melted ice cream, even down to the strawberry, chocolate, caramel and vanilla hues.

The fissure was a natural defence for the city where more than 30,000 people once lived. The amphitheatre, colonnaded streets and the remains of civic buildings, palaces and temples hewn from the rose-red rock can still be admired.

Among the horse owners, who now only earn about £20 a month, few blame the Iraqi leader for their current difficulties.



Breathtaking ride: the best way to visit Jordan's ancient city of Petra, carved out of cliffs, is still on horseback

Lebanon militia clashes with army

Beirut — The Lebanese army exchanged fire with Israeli-backed militiamen yesterday after a guerrilla bomb attack killed two militiamen. It was the first reported clash between the army and the South Lebanon Army (SLA) militia since Lebanese troops moved into the south this summer as part of a drive to extend the central government's authority over militia fiefdoms.

The SLA reportedly opened fire with machineguns on an army lorry near Mlikh, south of the militia's stronghold in Jezzine. The reason for the attack was not clear. Lebanese soldiers returned fire with machineguns but no casualties were reported.

Security sources said Lebanese troops later clashed with gunmen of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah, injuring three militants. The clashes broke out after Hezbollah guerrillas set off a bomb as an SLA patrol was passing in nearby Braasheet earlier yesterday. Israeli military sources said the blast killed two militiamen and wounded three.

SLA militiamen using loudspeakers urged residents of the Hezbollah-held villages of Mlikh and nearby Louwaizeh to leave their homes, the Lebanese military sources said. The militia then shelled several villages north of Israel's self-proclaimed security zone in south Lebanon, including Mlikh and Louwaizeh. Several civilians were reported hurt.

Security sources said the two villages were now almost empty but still being sporadically attacked. The residents had fled to an army post in Jarjouh. *(Reuter)*

Coup foiled

Cairo — Sudan said it had uncovered a plot to overthrow the ruling junta and arrested more than a dozen officers and several civilians, Egypt's Middle East news agency said. General Muhammad Talba Awaida, the armed forces' spokesman, said 10 serving officers were among those who confessed. *(Reuter)*

Oil fire blame

Geneva — Kuwaiti authorities are partly responsible for the continuing environmental disaster caused by fires ignited at hundreds of Kuwait's oil wells during the Gulf war, according to the World Wide Fund for Nature. Failure to instal the correct safety equipment is partly to blame for the persistent fires. *(AFP)*

Lebanon attack

Tyre — An Irish member of Unifil, the United Nations peace-keeping force in Lebanon, was hurt in an explosion in Israel's self-declared "security zone". Guerrillas from the pro-Iranian Islamic Resistance had earlier attacked a patrol of the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army, killing two militiamen. *(AFP)*

Hint of freedom for another hostage

From RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM

EFFORTS to free at least nine Western hostages in Lebanon could resume this weekend when the United Nations secretary-general, Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, returns to Geneva after a week's holiday.

When he left Geneva last week for his holiday in Portugal, Señor Pérez de Cuéllar said he was hopeful that a settlement could be reached which would probably involve the release of Western hostages in Beirut, seven Israeli servicemen missing in Lebanon and about 400 Shia Muslim Lebanese detainees held by Israel and its proxies, the South Lebanon Army. Yesterday hopes were raised that the impetus created by the hostage releases two weeks ago had not been lost as the Beirut weekly magazine *ash-Shiraa* reported that another Westerner would be freed at the beginning of next month.

"One of the kidnapped foreigners will be released on September 1. The captive will be released in line with efforts now being made to bring the issue to an end," the journal said. It also broke the story of the Iran-Contra affair and is known to be close to Syria. It did not say which nationality the freed hostage would be.

The Israeli-backed SLA militia yesterday freed two Sunni Muslim captives held for three years, but Israeli officials said the move was not connected with the hostage issue.

The UN chief is expected to receive a progress report on talks held in Tehran this week.

Flood of Gulf refugees changes face of Jordan

Crime is rising in Amman, writes Adam Kelliher

IF PROSTITUTION is the nadir of necessity, then the streetwalkers on the boulevards of straitlaced Amman are proof that the arrival of nearly half a million refugees is not proving easy for Jordan.

There they were: five Iraqi women in summer frocks, mismatched hair ribbons, lurid lipstick. Gina said: "We stayed in a hotel until my money finished." Her offer of physical wares dissolved when asked how the Gulf conflict had changed her life. "Now, I do not have anything, but I cannot go back. My country is a prison."

Conservative Amman is a long way from 1944 Naples. The authorities have arrested only 65 Iraqi, Palestinian or Jordanian women for soliciting. They were desperate for money after being expelled from Kuwait.

Officials say their main concern is venereal disease, but combating vice lacks urgency among the problems facing Jordan due to vast demographic changes brought on by the Gulf war. The traffic in humanity has placed severe strains on King Husain's cash-strapped government.

Jordan's open door for Iraqis has left about 150,000 people opting for a break from the realm of President Saddam Hussein by lingering in Amman, where their main occupation is trying to secure visas to go elsewhere. They are competing for scarce resources with some 300,000 Jordanian passport-holders who have left Kuwait to escape persecution, or because their residential status has been withdrawn as the emirate takes revenge against communities believed to have backed Saddam.

A remaining 100,000 Palestinians and Jordanians may arrive from Kuwait this year. Jordan's 3.2 million population has already increased by 12 per cent, bringing social and political change, notably Amman's transformation from an extended village into a metropolis.

Roads have become a snarling mass of metal. Burglaries and theft, as well as prostitution, are rising. Although many Palestinians and Jordanians have been able to rely on the hospitality of relatives, accommodation is hard to find and rents have soared.

Tables are harder to get at restaurants and there is more night-life. After dark, shopping centres are the haunts of youths who gloomily suck ice creams, perhaps remembering beachfront cafes in Kuwait.

With unemployment now at 25 per cent, jobs are not easy to find. Some schools are splitting classes into two shifts to make room for 60,000 extra students.

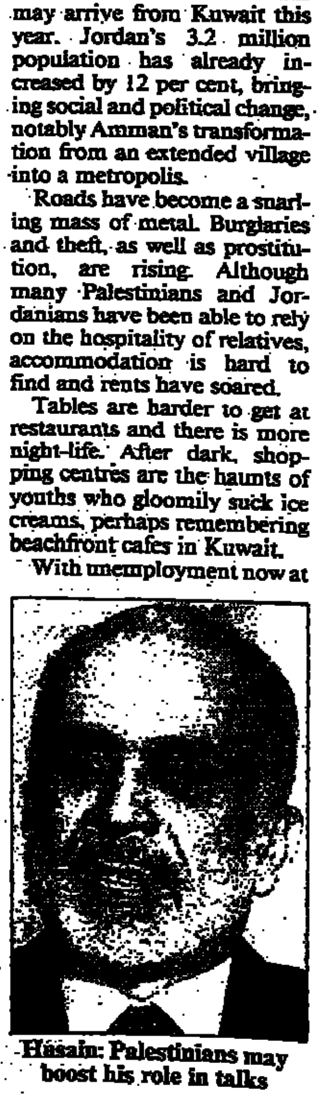
Above all, water is in even shorter supply than before. Some farmers are opting not to plant vegetable crops because irrigation is unsure. That means more hard currency will have to be spent on food imports at the expense of industrial development.

Financial demands on the state are increasing, and the Gulf conflict lost Jordan major export markets and foreign remittances. King Husain has asked for emergency assistance, primarily from Europe and Japan, but has received a paltry response.

Bassam Saket, an economist, said that countries in the region were "defeating the process of moderation and peace by dumping these people and keeping Jordanian society a frustrated pool. Having a worse life feeds radicalism and negative attitudes".

But it would be hard to find a better breed of refugee, with those coming from the Gulf being particularly well-educated, employable and likely to bring considerable personal savings.

The increased concentration of Palestinians in Jordan should have an impact on any peace deal with Israel. The exodus from Kuwait represents a sort of diaspora in reverse, in which Palestinians move closer to their homeland from places to which they have fled. The influx should enhance the role of King Husain in any negotiations, in which the ultimate goal of moderates is a Jordanian-Palestinian federation.



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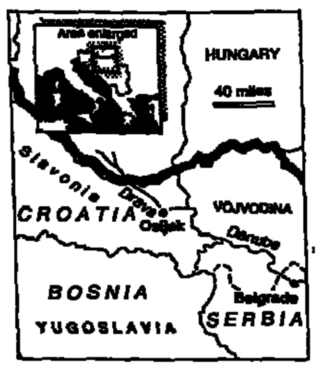
From ERNEST BECK IN BUDAPEST AND TIM JUDAH AND DESSA TREVISAN IN BELGRADE



HUNGARY edged closer to involvement in the Yugoslav conflict yesterday as Yugoslav air force planes again violated Hungarian air space. The government vowed to keep the borders open to a steady stream of Yugoslav refugees seeking temporary shelter from the fighting.

The Hungarian defence ministry spokesman said a strong protest was lodged yesterday with the Yugoslav military attaché in Budapest over the incident, in which eight MiG jet fighters entered Hungarian air space north of the embattled Croatian city of Osijek and two planes fired rockets at a Yugoslav village.

The spokesman said Hungary would take "strong counter-measures" to prevent further violations, including the strengthening of air defences, reconnaissance flights, and the deployment of 150 extra border guards.

Officials reported an increase in refugees, with more than 10,000 Yugoslavs, including ethnic Hungarians and Croats, crossing into Hungary in the past week as fighting flared in eastern Croatia.

Andras Gyorke, head of the refugee reception centre, said that about 2,000 people were living in tent cities, but would be moved because of the cold weather. He added that if the numbers increase Hungary would face "a serious and difficult situation". A further 500 refugees arrived yesterday, although Yugoslav authorities closed a main border crossing at Udvar.

Most refugees are women, children and old people, many without travel documents, and with few belongings, according to Janos Zubek, a spokesman for the border guards. "Sometimes entire villages come across," he said, although many men soon return home to tend the fields or fight. Many refugees are armed, Mr Zubek said, but their weapons are confiscated by the border guards.

Despite the influx and Hungary's limited resources, the interior ministry said that the borders would not be closed. "We will accept them and protect them," said an official. "They can consider this to be an open invitation."

The spokesman for the Yugoslav federal presidency's ceasefire commission said yesterday that he and other members were about to resign because the commission's work had been "blocked, handicapped and does not have a realistic chance to implement the ceasfire". Irfanian Ajanovic, the deputy speaker of the federal parliament, condemned both the Croats and the Serbs for breaking the ceasefire and accused them of "making new preparations for war".

Mr Ajanovic, a Bosnian Muslim, made his statement the day after Franjo Tudjman, the Croatian president, declared that, if the Yugoslav army did not return to barracks and cease fighting in the republic by the end of the month, it would be declared an "occupying army".

Serbian militiamen in eastern Croatia responded yesterday by declaring a general mobilisation of men aged between 18 and 60. They said that any Serb who did not report for duty would be considered a deserter.

Asked whether the ceasefire still existed, Mr Ajanovic said: "In the past 20 days, there have been 200 breaches, at least 70 people have been killed, communications and bridges have been destroyed and new fronts have been opened. We have more crisis zones than before ... that's why I am considering my position on the commission." Mr Ajanovic said he believed that "if they have consciences" other members of the commission would also consider resigning.

In particular, Mr Ajanovic said that it was impossible for the commission to carry out its work if Yugoslavia's political leaders did not define the warring parties. He was referring to Serbia's refusal to acknowledge its role in the conflict and army claims that it was acting as a neutral buffer force. "Until a clear definition of the sides in the conflict is made, we will be running round in circles ... If this was done there would be peace in five minutes."

Mr Ajanovic's comments came the day after 20 people died in clashes in Croatia and the federal presidency met once again. His remarks appear to presage the collapse of the commission and its admission of failure in a conflict where there has been no will to lay down arms.

Justice comes at long last for East Berlin's victims

From ANN McELVOY
IN BERLIN

Dustbin of history: scrapped Trabants, like judicial repression, part of East Germany's abandoned past

ONE day in August 1958 Gero Gandert, a young West Berlin film enthusiast, was strolling in an East Berlin suburb after visiting a friend. An unmarked car pulled up, disgorging three burly and armed men who ordered him to get in. Without explanation he was driven to Potsdam.

He was arrested as a spy, interrogated for ten days and sentenced to four years' imprisonment "for espionage and sedition intended to undermine the socialist state". His crime was to have written film reviews praising Moscow's cultural thaw and criticised the stalinist productions of East German cinema.

Now there is no longer a socialist state to undermine, Herr Gandert has been declared innocent by a symbolic rehearing. East Germany has posthumously apologised.

He is one of thousands of victims of the East's security policies whose cases were relegated to the hush of the archives. At first, Western politicians pleaded for his release but after the Federal Republic recognised the East German state in 1973, *Realpolitik* prevented any moves for a repeal.

Rehabilitation cases are a daily feature of the judicial system in the new Germany but they are not taking place fast enough for those involved, many of whom are elderly and fear they will die before justice is belatedly done. The government admits that a shortage of judges, due to the dismissal of East Germans who took part in political trials, means the process will take at least 15 years.

Most victims were internal dissidents, often communists whose only crime had been to disagree with Walter Ulbricht, the state's first leader. A handful, like Herr Gandert, were Western victims of East Berlin's campaign of *Menschenraub* (human robbery): bundled into cars and imprisoned after show trials.

Herr Gandert recalled: "I said to my interrogator how unfortunate I had been to visit the east on the evening of my abduction. He just laughed and said: 'If we want someone, we go and get them whether they are in East or West Berlin, Frankfurt an der Oder or Frankfurt am Main'."

From Berlin to Bucharest the crimes of decades ago are being unearthed. For those affected, the events of the 1950s and 1960s might as well have taken place last year. Wolfgang Klemper, sentenced in 1953 for his part in the June uprising, is 81 and still waiting for his case to be revised.

"People wonder why it should be so important to us now that the regime has collapsed. But living so long without real justice gave us a thirst to have it."

Ratsiraka forced to hand over power

From GAVIN BELL IN ANTANANARIVO

PRESIDENT Ratsiraka of Madagascar has been forced to relinquish executive powers to a caretaker prime minister charged with implementing democratic reforms.

Guy Razanamasy, formerly the mayor of Antananarivo, the capital, is now trying to form an interim government with opposition leaders to draft a new constitution, and organise general elections within a year.

Mr Razanamasy announced yesterday that he had been given the powers necessary to establish a multiparty democracy, and he appealed to all parties to support him in his endeavours. He was meeting opposition leaders today to discuss the formation of his government.

Mr Ratsiraka, whose 16-year socialist regime has brought the huge island nation to the verge of economic collapse, appointed Mr Razanamasy as prime minister two weeks ago in an attempt to retain control of the reform process. However, the killing of demonstrators near the presidential palace on August 10 and a subsequent revolt by opposition forces made his position untenable.

In consultation with the opposition, Mr Razanamasy presented Mr Ratsiraka with an ultimatum – either hand over power to an interim government or run the risk of a military coup.

Shortly before his meeting with the president, Mr Razanamasy told *The Times*: "We are running out of options. Either I receive the powers necessary to fulfil my task, or I withdraw."

In from the cold: a helicopter ferrying some of the 160 Soviet researchers from the ship Mikhail Somov, trapped in the pack ice of Antarctica, to the Soviet base at Molodezhnaya, where a plane was waiting to fly them to Cape Town. "We are tired and happy. We are happy about Gorbachev," said Dr Sergei Karpekin (AP reports from Cape Town). The men seemed more interested in political developments at home than in their predicament. It was the first time a Soviet plane had landed in Antarctica in winter.

Geologist killed by elephants

From MICHAEL HARTNACK
IN HARARE

DR THORLEY Sweetman, a British geologist lecturing at the University of Zimbabwe since 1989, was trampled to death by a herd of elephants on Sunday while collecting rock samples in the Zambezi valley.

Dr Sweetman, aged 35, vice-chairman of Zimbabwe's mountain climbing club, came from Sheffield. He failed to return to camp by sunset and was found by searchers the following morning.

Mrs Thendiwe Lesabe, the deputy environment minister, said yesterday the problem of Zimbabwe's increasing elephant population had come to a head. She announced plans to cull 16,000 animals.

Zimbabwe has protested vigorously against the ban on trade in ivory imposed by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species at the behest of East African states plagued with poachers.

Southern African nations say that their estimated 250,000 elephants must be managed scientifically, with a profitable annual cropping of beasts, if conservation is to continue.

Socialism in retreat as Sri Lanka goes private

Christopher Thomas discovers that tea-boys and typists are cashing in

WITH a programme called "peoplisation", the Sri Lanka government is selling off everything from state-owned hotels and tea plantations to banks, buses and textile firms. Poor people are being turned into rupee millionaires overnight in a clamour of share-buying.

Wijeratne Munasinghe, aged 31, is typical. He worked as a driver for 40,000 rupees (£610) a year. With a substantial loan he bought 4,000 shares nine months ago at ten rupees each when his employer, the state-owned Merchant Bank of Sri Lanka, was privatised. Today those shares are worth 100 rupees each, equivalent to ten years' salary.

Dennis Grubb, an American adviser to the bank, explained: "Employees were offered loans equivalent to a year's salary to buy shares. Tea boys, typists, messengers and drivers have become rich beyond their dreams. Socialism has gone right out of the window. This country is quickly learning about the free market economy and liking what it sees."

Sri Lanka now permits its nationals to hold foreign currency bank accounts, which should bring back a good deal of cash salted away illegally abroad. And it is allowing foreigners to open secret bank accounts in any currency, a move doubtless designed to capture capital coming from India. The government has "peoplised" 80 bus depots, selling off 3,600 vehicles to 30,000 worker-owners. A law has been passed making it illegal for government or semi-government departments to operate bus services.

The winds of change are even blowing across big government tea plantations, once a cornerstone of the economy and now a colossal drain on it. Private management contracts are being offered to try to turn the estates around, and eventually they are expected to be sold. The World Bank is conducting a study into privatising the plantations. The government has its finger in almost every economic pie, even owning a majority stake in most of the many five-star hotels in Colombo city centre. The Oberoi has just gone up for sale for 833 million rupees (£12.8 million). Ten per cent of the ownership is being reserved for employees. The other hotels are also being sold.

Sweeping tax changes have radically altered the investment climate, and a modest amount of foreign money has quickly started flowing in. "The entire Asia-Pacific region is considered an emerging market area," Mr Grubb said. "The Philippines, Taiwan and Korea are in the top tier. Sri Lanka, Nepal and Pakistan are in the bottom tier. India is not included because it is talking about liberalisation but has not done it as yet."

He added that new foreign funds being invested in Sri Lanka were modest, preliminary investments to establish a presence. "There is guaranteed currency convertibility for foreigners. Sri Lanka is rapidly learning how to operate a free market economy. Attitudes are changing."

Whites jailed for necklace murder

Johannesburg – Two white men, Deon van Deventer, aged 25, and Japie Boonzaaier, were sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment in the Johannesburg Rand supreme court yesterday for the necklace murder of a crippled black man. The state called for the death sentence (Ray Kennedy writes).

They are the first whites to be convicted for a necklace killing – a petrol-filled tyre is hung around a victim's neck and set alight. Mr Justice Joffe said that the two attacked Johannes Maango because he was black.

Claims that nine more prisoners have died in a wave of unrest sweeping though South African prisons were denied by prison authorities yesterday. The denial came 24 hours after it was confirmed officially that six black prisoners had died when bedding was set alight in the Barberton maximum-security prison in the eastern Transvaal.

Strike ends

Sofia – A ten-day strike by 27,000 Bulgarian miners came to an end when their leaders signed an agreement with the government opening the way to talks on pay increases and working conditions. However, leaders said that the strike would resume if negotiations were not completed within two weeks. *(Reuter)*

Dealer executed

Peking – China has executed Ma Yonghua, aged 29, a former farmer turned drug trafficker from Gansu province, for running an international drug smuggling ring. He had been found guilty of selling at least 380lb of Burmese heroin to ten dealers in the city of Chendu for passing on to Hong Kong. *(Reuter)*

Rebel captured

Manila – The Philippine army has captured Roberto Roldan, the propaganda chief of the New People's Army, the miligary wing of the Communist party of the Philippines. He has been charged with illegal possession of a firearm and furtherance of rebellion and will face further charges of kidnapping. *(Reuter)*

Sentence cut

Charlotte, North Carolina – A judge has reduced the sentence imposed on Jim Bakker, the disgraced television evangelist, from 45 years to 18, because the original judge had complained about "money-grubbing preachers". He was convicted in 1989 for diverting millions of dollars donated by his followers. *(Reuter)*

US executions

Jarratt, Virginia – Derick Lynn Peterson, convicted of killing the manager of a shop, has died in the electric chair, after being electrocuted twice. Doctors had found that he was still alive after receiving the normal dose of electricity. In Missouri a man was executed by injection for killing four cafeteria workers. *(AP)*

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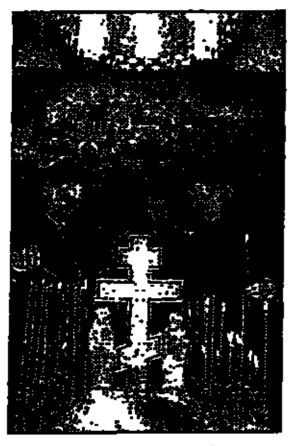
Russian Orthodoxy has been a candle in the Soviet dark, but can it replace Marx?

Among the abiding images of recent events in Moscow is one of a crowd of Muscovites outside the parliament building crossing themselves (right to left, in the Orthodox manner) as a priest said prayers of thanksgiving after the collapse of the coup. Religion has manifestly become a driving force in the lives of the people again.

The encouragement of religion as a prop to morality in Soviet society is now virtually official policy, but can it move in to fill all the space left by the evaporation of communism? That must be more doubtful, both because of the character of Russian Orthodoxy and because of its recent history. It may be able to underline standards of personal honesty or chastity, but it will be at its weakest in its interaction with political society, particularly as an ethos for economic effort.

Observers of Russian Christianity familiar with the churches in the West note certain contrasts. Orthodox devotion has a more other-worldly quality, more mystical and feelingful, and faced with the sufferings of the world, more restive. Its spirituality is deeper, certainly, than most forms of Western Protestantism and the "active" sort of Catholicism.

But Westerners tend to find Russian Orthodoxy "removed from life". This disengagement is hardly surprising given that for most of the period of its ascendancy, Soviet communism allowed Christianity to stand only on the furthest margins of society (and sometimes not even there). But this marginal role was not altogether inimical to Orthodoxy's character. In so far as it had a tradition of political doctrine under the tsars, Orthodoxy was semi-Erastian: in all matters not strictly spiritual, the church believed it should support and obey the state rather than stand above it as a critic. And the nature of Orthodoxy tends towards the sacralisation of nationalism: hence "Holy Russia".


Orthodoxy triumphant

However, Orthodoxy is unlikely to make a comprehensive takeover of areas left vacant by the deserting state ideology. Marxism offered a motivation for hard work: peasants and factory-workers were invited to dedicate themselves to the glorious "building of communism". Liberated from the apathy, selfishness and sloth that capitalism was alleged to induce, the workers were free to follow a natural instinct towards the advancement of their class. Prosperity, said the theory, inevitably followed. So when the ideology turned out to have misdescribed human nature, which is interested in advancing itself more than its class, it was necessary to try to alter human nature by creating "new Soviet man".

Capitalism was never regarded by Marx as a complete system like communism: to make it a total ideology — bourgeois ideology — it had to have a world-view. This was largely supplied by religion. The religion in question was not the quietist faith of Russian Orthodoxy, however, but the religious hand-maiden of capitalism, Western Christianity and especially Northern European Protestant Christianity. This enabled the integration of religious and economic goals. Hard work was an outward sign of interior moral virtue, the resulting prosperity a mark of divine favour; idleness and dishonesty were roads to damnation. The authority of masters over servants had divine sanction.

These things were publicly believed in Victorian Christian Britain, and survive as the moral and economic ethos that capitalism needs to make it dynamic. They surfaced repeatedly in the Thatcher years in the rhetoric of the "enterprise culture".

The public doctrines of organised Christianity in the West were prepared to take on the prevailing political system, demanding the rounding of the sharp edges of capitalism in the name of state welfare (following William Temple on the English model), or of a "social market" (as in European christian democracy). So the necessary individualism supplied by Western Christianity to the ethos of capitalism was balanced by the emphasis put on collectivism by church leaders.

Russian Orthodoxy's theology and history are a long way from all this. At the turn of the century, just when Russian churchmen were beginning to advance from an essential pastoral and rural ministry to develop a response to industrialisation, they were forced offstage by the communist revolution, and invited not to interest themselves any further in social-economic questions. Thereafter, the Russian Orthodox critique of Soviet communism concentrated on keeping the vestiges of religious freedom alive, not on asking Western-type questions about the economic relationship between the individual and society. Theologically, it went into hibernation in the interests of survival.

So Russian Orthodoxy is a *tabula rasa*. Its relations with the rest of Christianity are much more advanced than those of, say, Chinese Christianity. Its membership of the World Council of Churches received state encouragement in the 1970s and 1980s as an acceptable face of Brezhnev communism. (Cynics used to say that every third archimandrite in an international Russian church delegation was from the KGB, sent to watch the other two.) These channels are now wide open. The indications are that the more sophisticated members of the Orthodox hierarchy are aware of their church's need of outside stimulus.

If offered with due humility, this is a key way in which "Western know-how" could be immensely helpful. That the Russian Orthodox Church survived at all is a tribute to human courage. Whether it is now capable of replacing ideology with religion in Russian society is an open question. Religions are strengthened by persecution. But they are also damaged by it.

Charles Bremner plots the decisions and revisions that a week in publishing has reversed

Myth-makers in turmoil

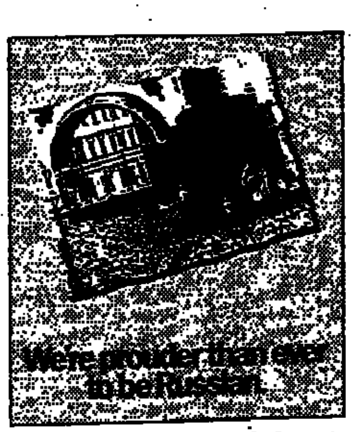
For a couple of days this week it looked as though Ivan and Natasha were back. The thriller business had been looking grim since the bad guys packed their mackintoshes and headed for fellowships in the think-tanks of California.

Only last week Frederick Forsyth was telling *Time* magazine that "The KGB general as the all-purpose bad guy isn't going to work any more". Then on Monday, the empire turned evil again, bringing visions of old times to spy-writers marooned by the demise of a clear-cut enemy. With the hard men back in the Kremlin, Le Carré could get back into his stride and Tom Clancy, the top-selling American thrillersmith of the 1980s, could stop messing around with American Indian and German extremists.

Things might have been different had Messrs Kryuchkov and Co bothered to take notes from a couple of the recent coup novels, but they failed, precipitating not just an astonishing rush of history but turmoil in the publishing and film-making worlds.

In Manhattan and Hollywood, people are sorting out the winners and losers after a week in which fortunes for many were reversed. The film-makers are already debating who should play Boris Yeltsin, while some studios are recovering from a multi-million-dollar fright. The opening of Cold War II on Monday seemed to scupper a whole series of titles, such as the forthcoming *Comrades of Summer*, which tells the heart-warming tale of an American baseball star who goes to coach the Soviet Olympic team. The restoration of Mr Gorbachev has soothed immediate fears, but film-makers will probably be hedging their bets with a few evil Russkies.

On Madison Avenue, a place of little nuance, they pulled glasnost-flavoured commercials off the air on Monday. One senior adman said all those tanks meant no one would try to sell on a Soviet theme again for decades, but yesterday, full-page advertisements appeared in newspapers from a vodka company proclaiming "We're prouder than ever to be Russian".



Red pride: the adman's boast

The biggest upheaval has been in publishing. On the non-fiction side, there were editorial celebrations on Monday for those scholars and journalists on the point of delivering doomsday plots. A jubilant W.W. Norton Company decided to rush out *What Went Wrong with Perestroika: The Rise and Fall of Mikhail Gorbachev* by Professor Marshall Goldman, one of the distinguished Sovietologists glad to be back in soundbite business. Among numerous works hurriedly modified to fit events, Simon & Schuster announced that it would add a new subtitle, "Why the Soviet Democratic Market Ended in Coup", to an imminent book called *Bear Hunting with the Politburo* by Craig Copetas.

But no sooner were publishers' word-processors turning future tenses into past than the coup leaders had booked their air tickets. Mr Copetas, a journalist, maintains that Mr Gorbachev is still doomed, and there are plenty who subscribe to that view, but with events far outpacing even the instant book, wise scholars will be steering clear of prophecy. The troubles of the fiction brigade are different. The coup with all its bungling, has spiked the guns of those who had crafted cunning schemes of treachery and overthrow in the Kremlin. The most prescient of recent titles was *Last Spy Out* by Robert Andrews. His tale of a coup against Mr Gorbachev that fails was given the go-ahead by his former bosses at the agency, partly, according to the author, because they considered its premise preposterous.

Other publishers are busy dressing up their coup-in-the-Kremlin thrillers with blurbs about "going behind today's headlines", but who wants to read fantasy when the real bosses of the KGB and the Soviet Army have turned in their own plot — even if it seemed to be scripted by amateurs?

Mr Clancy, whose plotting expertise has occasionally been tapped by the White House, is convinced that the story-line played out by the Moscow junta was so bone-headed that no one would have bought it. Talking in the same jargon that weighs down such works as *The Hunt for Red October*, Mr Clancy says his Russians would at least have "got the after-action report from the Argentine military and copied it". Among obvious measures, Mr Yeltsin would have been "taken down" at the outset and all communications cut.

Mr Clancy for one sees no return of the Soviet villain, and however much the critics lambast his post Cold War efforts, he says that if world peace results, he is happy to say goodbye to the evil Ivan and Natasha forever.

Aid now would be no help

Mark Almond warns the West not to back those still trying to reform Soviet communism instead of dispensing with it

From the first moment of the coup in Moscow, the cry went up across the Western world, "If only we had been more generous, none of this would have happened!" The clear implication is that it was the West's fault that the hardliners had launched their bid for power. The argument that the parsimony towards President Gorbachev of George Bush and John Major at the G7 summit was primarily to blame has been supported by most radio and television commentary.

There has been a barrage of demands that the G7 meet again and approve the aid proposed in the so-called grand bargain — and a whole lot more. Politicians are misguidedly demanding that the reward for Boris Yeltsin's rescue of Mr Gorbachev should be aid to the Soviet rather than to the Russian president. Far from silencing the demands to know who failed to stand by Mr Gorbachev, the Soviet president's return to the Kremlin has strengthened the chorus calling for a blank cheque to celebrate the collapse of the putsch.

The recriminations about the failure of the G7 summit to give Mr Gorbachev aid are based on the mistaken idea that if only the Western leaders had opened their wallets, the hardliners would have cancelled their desperate plan to prevent further political reform and devolution to the republics. But the willingness of the Moscow Eight to defy the West's idolisation of Mr Gorbachev, by placing him under arrest, suggests that economic contacts with the West were not uppermost in their minds. Control of political power, not economic viability, was their key concern.

It was not the West's failure to pour in cash that encouraged the plotters, but the complacent attitude of the West to the spate of violence by hardline agents over the last six months. The West's unwillingness to press Mr Gorbachev to punish those responsible for the repeated killings in the Baltic states must have persuaded the men who wanted to return the Soviet Union to "normal" that the West would soon come to terms with their actions (as it has with China since the Tiananmen Square massacre). During his visit to the Soviet Union at the end of July, President Bush appeared indifferent to the murder by Boris Pugo's men of Lithuanian customs men; then he warned the Ukraine not to indulge in "suicidal nationalism". What could the hardliners infer other than that the West could accept a coup?

Soviet peasants go to market: small, low profit enterprise is the only way to feed the people

Western governments were so anxious to avoid making Mr Gorbachev's position more difficult by offending the hardliners that they sent out the wrong signals: appeasing noises which were misread in Moscow, just as similar signals had encouraged the Yugoslav hardliners to resort to force at the end of June.

After the event, President Bush took a stand in support of Boris Yeltsin and what little legitimate authority remains in the Soviet Union, but even that support was not the decisive factor in the bungled coup's collapse.

Too many Westerners still cling to a myth of Western omnipotence. Somehow or other, our wealth is supposed to reshape the world to our liking today in a way that our former vast military and colonial power could not. The problems of the decaying communist world are huge and desperately complicated. If the once almighty mark is sagging under the cost of refurbishing what was East Germany, how can the Western economies hope to find the money necessary to revitalise the Soviet Union?

Looking at the political dilemmas facing enormously popular leaders like Lech Walesa in Poland and Vaclav Havel in Czechoslovakia when trying to push through total economic transformation, one can see that it would be impossible for the unpopular and unelected Mikhail Gorbachev even to begin mobilising the Soviet people to make the sacrifices necessary to start market reforms. Mr Gorbachev is the last in a long line of Soviet leaders urging one final bout of belt-tightening before the Soviet economy finally blooms into affluence for all. But there is no longer a loyal constituency supporting him, if indeed there ever was. Putting our money behind Gorbachev now would alienate the real representatives of the people, who face the Herculean task of satisfying their economic demands.

The economic programmes that Mr Gorbachev proposed to the West aimed almost entirely at further development of hard currency exports such as oil, natural gas and coal. The income from such exports would have been very welcome to the Soviet regime, but it would have done very little to meet the Soviet people's grievances about shortages of every kind.

Only the dismantling of the collective farms and of the state-controlled distribution of food offers the Soviet people any chance of a decent diet. The sudden flood of scarce items such as real coffee into the shops on the morning of the coup shows the extent to which the bureaucracy that Mr Gorbachev still heads had been hoarding the creature comforts unavailable to ordinary people. What is needed now is not more grand schemes for depleting the Soviet Union's natural resources for the benefit of the West, but low-profit enterprises producing and distributing foodstuffs, clothes and other mundane goods. The Soviet Union needs to promote local entrepreneurs and genuine cooperatives.

It was Mikhail Gorbachev, the *apparatchik*, loyal party member and believer in socialism, who caused the downfall of the West's dream-partner. The Soviet people will only support communism's gravedigger, not its would-be reformer. Anyone who lines up behind Mr Gorbachev and the party now risks alienating the people for a long time to come. As the coup leaders noted, perestroika has reached a dead-end. Now is not the time for the West to pay for a life support system.

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Matthew Parris

The tragedy of the week has been Mr Major's failure to make use of the effective blackout of domestic news which Soviet events offered him for four whole days. Here was his opportunity to slip out all those awkward little press releases which press officers hope the media will ignore but which they usually spot. With Mr Gorbachev occupying so much attention, even the parting of the Red Sea would have been spiked by news editors: so think what 10 Downing Street could have done with a press release about further delays in the introduction of city technology colleges.

If I were the PM's press aide, this is how your typical morning paper, last week, might have looked: pages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14 and 16-22 would have all been about the Soviet Army, Azerbaijan and a behind-the-scenes look at the command structure of the KGB, while the "women's" section would have profiled Mrs Kryuchkov. Thrilling stuff. But buried on page 15 would have been one of those assorted biscuit-box columns of "other news" — the ones about bus plunges in Peru, overturned ferries in Bangladesh and rattlesnakes escaped from Harrogate zoo, one paragraph each, starting with:

Kenneth Baker 'ill'. The Home Office has announced that, with immediate effect, Kenneth Baker is to be "temporarily relieved of his duties" as Home Secretary, due to what was described as "the strain of office". Sources close to the prime minister observed yesterday: "Ken is not a well man." It is rumoured that junior minister John Patten has taken over for the time being. "Ken may be away for some time," Mr Patten commented last night. Mr Baker was not available for interview.

Jobless figures recalculated. Official statistics for unemployment are to be calculated on a new basis, the department of employment said yesterday. The latest scheme to help the jobless is SHELF, "Self-Help Enterprise Leadership", an initiative to be offered to all the unemployed. Those refusing a placement on the SHELF will be "deemed as voluntarily unemployed and therefore excluded from the figures," a spokesman explained. She added that there is no funding for SHELF — "in fact there is a charge of £186: we feel that this gives the trainee more dignity". Our Labour correspondent calculates that, on the new basis, the jobless figures should drop by two million next month.

Monetary Union 'climbdown'. *Brussels.* British officials have admitted that their government now "accepts in principle" that monetary union is inevitable and behind-the-scenes work on the terms of British accession should start soon. The report follows rumours, now confirmed, that the European social charter is acceptable, after all, to the British government. Coming on the same day as the announcement by agriculture minister John Gummer that Britain has abandoned objections to next year's £9,853 billion agriculture deal for the EC, the news is bound to irritate anti-European MPs, but none would comment yesterday, those not absent on holiday being detained at TV studio interviews on the Russian crisis.

Tories 'out' in force. More than a third of the parliamentary Conservative party has "come out" as gay in a joint letter from MPs to *The Times* today. Approached for comment, the Chief Whip remarked that there are so many names, that while the media are preoccupied with events abroad, "it seemed best to announce this as a job-lot". He added that other newspapers appeared unconcerned about listing the individual names.

Kinnock 'to go'. *Alicante.* The Labour leader's comparative silence during the Soviet crisis may be explained by an apparent decision to prolong his holiday indefinitely. Many sightings of Mr Kinnock have been claimed all over southern Spain. Approached for comment, Walworth Road would only say that "Neil is very tired, and it may be that a rest is what is needed. John Smith is happy to stand in for the time being. A sabbatical has been arranged, until after the next general election."

THE TIMES DIARY

Platform for reform

LITHUANIA'S president, Vytautas Landsbergis, is set to share the platform with John Major at the Tory conference in October. With the future of the Soviet Union certain to dominate debates on foreign affairs throughout the conference season, the visit is a coup for the Tories. Last year at Bournemouth, Mrs Thatcher welcomed more than a dozen leaders from the emerging Eastern European democracies, but this will be the first time a Baltic leader has graced a party conference.

The visit is significant, for although Britain has not recognised the Baltic states as independent, it has never recognised their incorporation into the Soviet Union either. Indeed it seems that because of the sensitivity no British ambassador to Moscow has visited Lithuania since the Nazi-Soviet pact.

The invitation to Landsbergis was issued by the International Freedom Foundation, a free-market group dedicated to the promotion of of trade and investment in Eastern Europe, and Landsbergis will address a fringe meeting organised by the foundation.

But he is certain not to stay on the sidelines. A Tory Central Office source said yesterday: "It will be a high profile occasion. Landsbergis is one of the key players in the drive for reform in the Soviet Union. We believe his presence will be seen as vindicating John Major's tough stance over aid to Gorbachev. You can be certain he will be invited to share the platform with the prime minister."

● *Guerman Gventsadze, the Soviet ambassador in Dublin, is surely a man President Gorbachev can count on. Yesterday he said he was delighted his boss had been reinstated, and added for good measure that he was a convinced supporter of perestroika. Can this be the same ambassador who just three days earlier declared the coup "quite constitutional" and added: "In my opinion the emergency committee has wide popular support, and instances of discontent should not be blown out of proportion"? Indeed it is, but the embassy can explain all. "A regrettable misunderstanding," said a spokesman yesterday.*

Poping for the best

NEARLY five centuries after Henry VIII fell out with the Vatican, an Anglican chaplain has turned history on its head by becoming pope.

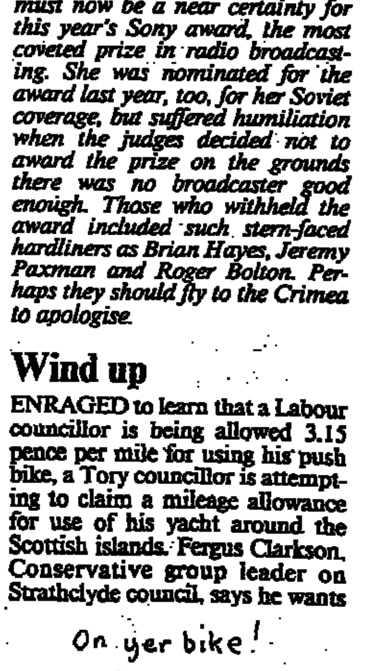
The Rev John Watson, a master at Sutton Valence school in Kent, is currently playing the part in a production of Marlowe's *Doctor Faustus* at Deal Castle. It is not a speaking role, although as a most gluttonous pontiff, Watson is required to grunt noisily between mouthfuls of food.

"I'm not sure what this will do for Anglo-Catholic understanding," says Watson. "I hope too many Catholics are not put off, because I'm not impersonating any single pope." For the role, the chaplain has abandoned his dog-collar and he appears on stage in full papal outfit and a triple-crown tiara made from bananas and pineapples. And yes, he is thoroughly fed up with jokes about eating his hat.

● *Alongside our own Mary Dejevsky, much of the finest reporting of the Soviet coup came from the BBC's Moscow correspondent, Bridget Kendall and her husband, BSkyB's Nick Worrall. Kendall must now be a near certainty for this year's Sony award, the most coveted prize in radio broadcasting. She was nominated for the award last year, too, for her Soviet coverage, but suffered humiliation when the judges decided not to award the prize on the grounds there was no broadcaster good enough. Those who withheld the award included such stern-faced hardliners as Brian Hayes, Jeremy Paxman and Roger Bolton. Perhaps they should fly to the Crimea to apologise.*

Wind up

ENRAGED to learn that a Labour councillor is being allowed 3.15 pence per mile for using his push bike, a Tory councillor is attempting to claim a mileage allowance for use of his yacht around the Scottish islands. Fergus Clarkson, Conservative group leader on Strathclyde council, says he wants £12 per mile for the use of his sloop "Corrie".



A visit to his constituents in Arran is worth £540 for the 45-mile round trip, he reckons, and every surgery he holds in Millport, a ten-mile trip, should earn him another £120. The response of the region's finance department is likely to be unsympathetic. "The wind is free," says a spokesman.

Guarded by lions

EYES will be firmly on the heavens today when a group of environmentalists attempt to create possibly the largest ever chalk pavement-drawing in Trafalgar Square. Sadly, no one has yet invented a water-resistant chalk, but a team of 20 artists from the International Council for Bird Preservation will be hoping for the best when they draw a giant imperial Amazon parrot measuring 90 by 50 feet to launch an appeal for the birds. There are just 80 left, and they are vanishing fast.

Georgina Green, of the council, says: "We will have 50 people in the square because we need extra people to keep onlookers off the drawing," — not to mention, presumably, the pigeons.

● *The tide of democracy that saw off the junta in Moscow also saw the rescinding this week of the ban on the Bible in Mongolia for the first time in 70 years. But though available in Ulan Bator, the good book is still banned in eight countries: North Laos, Libya, Morocco, Cambodia, Korea, Yemen, Iran and Saudi Arabia. As Canon Michael Bourdeaux of the religious research establishment Keston College points out, the list is a mix of Muslim and communist countries. "Communist countries will give in faster than Muslim countries, but in the end they will all give up the ghost." Holy, of course.*

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CHEERING RUSSIA

Yesterday saw more extraordinary scenes in the Russian parliament. Before the eyes of the world, power appeared to be ebbing from the Communist party and its general secretary, Mikhail Gorbachev. Those participating in these climactic events seemed as bemused as the rest of the world. But whereas they were indeed participants, the rest of the world is not. The immediacy of television, and the openness of political debate in Moscow, seduces outsiders into identifying with the struggle and sympathising with those committed to it. The dangerous temptation is to move from sympathy to involvement to intervention.

What is happening in the Soviet Union is important to the freedom of much of the world, to its security and to its economic health. But that does not automatically make it "the world's business". The West did not cause these events: by not sending aid to Mr Gorbachev, or by aiding him too much, or by not aiding Mr Yeltsin, or by saying this or doing that. Nothing is more dangerous than to overestimate the leverage of the international community at turning points in a nation's history.

Such leverage as exists tends to be restricted to the moment of crisis, when outcomes are uncertain and participants at their most insecure. But even the best intelligence rarely yields policy-makers such opportunities. The forces unleashed in moments of anarchy are so devastating to those involved that overseas opinion, let alone overseas reaction, is usually of minimal concern. Outsiders are floundering in the backwash of events.

Certainly the West has an interest in change in the Soviet Union. The vast commitment to superpower defence, the result of postwar communist aggrandisement, concerns every nation on earth and especially those of Western Europe. Wider trade, diminished Third World tension, less pressure from refugees, are all gains to be had from the disintegration of communist hegemony.

Everybody who experiences democracy and economic freedom is bound to want to see their benefits bestowed in every corner of the globe. But this interest is essentially passive. The Soviet Union last week never posed such a military threat to the West as would justify armed intervention to put down the coup. There are degrees of interest and degrees of intervention. Commercial and political sanctions are freely used round the world in pursuit of foreign policy goals. Most observers regard them as of limited usefulness: as Saddam Hussein is currently proving. The impact of their converse, aid in the form of financial donations, loans and even military alliance, should be treated with equal reservation.

The West arrogantly told post-colonial Africa how it should order its path to democracy, with little success. It periodically tells subject peoples — the Hungarians or black South Africans or Iraqis — to rise up against their oppressors, and then does little about it. Showering Third World nations with soft loans in the 1980s has been counter-productive. Lecturing the world, even backing up lectures with economic intervention, is becoming a 20th-century version of the militant zeal of Victorian Christian missionaries. Where intervention does little more than make the intervener feel better, it is at worst ineffective. Only occasionally is it justified. Often it draws the intervener into a hopeless morass.

The West should watch events in Russia today with sympathy and concern. It should offer such limited help as will support the cause of democracy and free enterprise, where it knows for sure that help will promote them. But the West's greatest contribution to freedom in the East has always been by example. The ability of a wide community of nations to sustain prosperity, in a context of human freedom and security, has for over 70 years been a condemnation of everything represented by the Soviet communist system. It has reminded Soviet citizens that there is another, better way if they choose to fight for it. They are now fighting. The West is rightly cheering. But its most effective intervention remains its example.

MITIGATING MURDER

Sara Thornton should not have been sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of her husband. But the debate about her case has been confused by the red herring of "provocation" raised by campaigners on her behalf. After her conviction a man accused of murdering his wife had his offence reduced to manslaughter on such grounds, and in protest at this comparative leniency Thornton went on hunger strike, from which she is now recovering.

As the facts emerged at the trial, before fatally stabbing her sleeping husband she had left the room to sharpen the knife. She had time to reflect; therefore the law deemed her subsequent actions to be deliberate. Had she stabbed him in the anger of their earlier violent quarrel, loss of control would have been a plausible defence. What agitates her supporters is that an analysis of homicide statistics seems to show that it is more common for husbands to kill their wives in the heat of the moment than wives their husbands, hence husbands accused of murdering their wives are more likely to get away with a plea of loss of mental control.

Men tend to kill women in violent quarrels more often than women kill men, because men are the stronger and more likely to react to extreme stress with immediate violence — or so it is said. But it is unsound to propose that this inequality in strength and difference in temperament should be compensated for by excusing women who kill later, for instance when the man is disabled by sleep or drink.

Blame for the injustice to Thornton should be directed elsewhere. Had the government not whipped the House of Commons into rejecting Lords amendments to remove the mandatory life sentence during the recent passage of the criminal justice bill, Thornton could have received the lighter sentence her crime plainly deserved. Indeed, had her sentence and the subsequent controversy happened earlier, the case might well have changed the outcome of the parliamentary debate.

Provocation exists as a defence to murder only to offer a way out of the trap of mandatory life sentences. It is unique to the law of homicide and is not a defence in any other crime. The leading authority on English criminal law, Archbold's *Criminal Pleadings and Practice*, states that "the justification for this anomaly [provocation as a defence to murder] appears to be that the punishment for murder is fixed by law, and therefore the judge on a conviction for murder cannot mitigate the sentence". A successful plea of provocation leads to a sentence for manslaughter, which the judge may fix as he thinks best.

Thus did the framers of section 3 of the 1957 Homicide Act — where the provocation defence is defined — attempt to soften the severity of the mandatory sentence in cases were it might seem unjust. And in 1957 murder was still a capital crime. A plea of provocation was put to the jury in the Thornton trial, but rejected as not in accordance with the facts. As the law defines murder, Sara Thornton was guilty of it. So awful were the circumstances in which she was driven to kill her drunken and violent husband, however, that she clearly deserved the mercy of the court.

No two murders are alike; no two murderers are identically blameworthy. Sentences should always fit the degree of blame, which a judge should assess in the light of the evidence. A law which does not allow that is unjust, and should be changed. The government blocked the change only for fear of its backwoods supporters. The Thornton case is the result of that cowardice.

GAME, SET AND CHECKMATE

While the world's eyes were on Moscow this week, in Brussels the British grandmaster Nigel Short was winning a famous victory over the chessboard against Boris Gelfand. Having disposed of one of the brightest of the rising Russian stars, Short has now reached the semi-finals of the world chess championship.

Behind him are dozens of other fine British players who bid fair to continue Britain's status as the world's second chess-playing nation into an era in which the Soviet Union's past dominance may not survive its dissolution into constituent republics. Yet Britain produced no world class player for a century. How was it done, and could other competitive leisure activities do with a chess lesson?

Various factors came together in the late 1960s and early 1970s. The most important catalyst was the match between Bobby Fischer and Boris Spassky at Reykjavik in 1972, which resulted in an American finally ending the Soviet monopoly of the world chess championship that had endured since 1948. Fischer's example electrified British chess to a degree unmatched elsewhere in the West.

A big part in the revival was played by Harry Golombek, who as well as being chess correspondent of *The Times*, advanced the schools' chess championship, introducing thousands of schoolchildren to the game.

As important as any of these factors was the entrepreneurial culture which began to re-emerge in Britain at the end of the 1970s. Chess is a highly individualistic activity, directly analogous to competing in the marketplace. Once the native ingenuity of the British was unleashed, chess could only benefit. Once British masters had emerged by the late 1970s, their example ensured that ever more youngsters would follow.

Why, then, did the collectivist culture of the Soviet and East European systems dominate the game for so long? Where other cerebral forms of self-expression suffer ideological restrictions, chess — the most perfect abstraction of pure struggle so far devised — provides an ideal outlet for the creative drive. The only ideological error in chess is to lose. State investment in training, a privileged lifestyle for leading players, and high social prestige did the rest.

Could other individualistic games, tennis say, imitate the British chess revival? British tennis has enjoyed the same economic climate, and it has the inestimable advantage, in Wimbledon, of becoming the focus of world tennis once a year. The rise of German tennis in the wake of Boris Becker and Steffi Graf shows what can be done.

But serious tennis is a cash-hungry game. A chess set and board can be purchased for a few pounds. Nigel Short would not expect to be able to retire to Monte Carlo on his winnings, but neither would he expect to have his private life crawled over by the tabloids. Chess is not a game in which relative poverty is a barrier to success. Tennis is. The success of British chess suggests that if that one factor were to change, Britain would begin to emerge as a leading tennis nation.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Flags, anthems and fallen idols

From Mr Talbot Hainault

Sir, One of the most telling and visible signs of countries obtaining their freedom from Soviet tyranny is the way the hated hammer, sickle and red star are immediately cut out of national flags.

I wonder whether, as a sign of liberation and continual remembrance for the countless victims of Soviet tyranny, the freed nations might not incorporate in their flags a white circle in place of the dreaded symbol?

In this way the martyrdom of the innocent could be commemorated for ever.

Yours faithfully,
TALBOT HAINAULT,
The Dower House,
Compton Chamberlayne,
Salisbury, Wiltshire.
August 22.

From Mrs Mary Rose Sutherland

Sir, In view of the Russian people's rejection of the red flag, should the Labour party and the TUC be looking for a new anthem?

Yours faithfully,
MARY ROSE SUTHERLAND,
Hartswood, Uxbridge Road,
Hampton Hill, Middlesex.

From Mr Andrew Gray

Sir, If the report in your later editions today is correct and the statue of Feliks Dzerzhinsky, the founder of the KGB, was really life-sized, I am not surprised that he was "responsible for shocking the country into obedience".

Yours etc.,
ANDREW GRAY,
14 St Alban's Grove,
Kensington, W8.
August 23.

Cautious Gorbachev

From Mr A. R. E. Arnot

Sir, It is seriously disturbing that the recent events in the USSR are detracting from the standing of President Gorbachev. Without Gorbachev, and Gorbachev alone, we would still have the cold war, proliferation of arms and armies, and international distrust.

Surrounded by fanatical hardliners, it took a brave man indeed to lead the nation from communism to democracy. The plotters who have now acted have exposed to the world the dangers which Gorbachev faced, but he must have been aware for six years that amongst these people his life was constantly at risk. Those who criticise his policies should recognise that his cautious actions were not a measure of his ultimate aims, but calculated moves which would not precipitate his removal.

Certainly Boris Yeltsin has shown himself to be dedicated and courageous, but it was Gorbachev who created the conditions in which Yeltsin could arise — if there had been no Gorbachev there would have been no Yeltsin; and it is obvious that if he had not rallied his people in support of Gorbachev against the coup he would have been the next to fall — he did not act from choice, but from no choice.

We must not weaken Gorbachev in international esteem; he is a skilful diplomat, the architect of our peace; Yeltsin is a pragmatist, perhaps inclined to put haste before prudence. Let us hope that these men will together construct a united, free and prosperous nation.

Yours faithfully,
A. R. E. ARNOT,
The Bell House, Baughurst,
Basingstoke, Hampshire.
August 22.

ITN in Moscow

From the Editor-in-Chief of Independent Television News

Sir, You report (August 23) that ITN in covering the Soviet coup "had to make do with just one temporary reporter". The facts are that while ITN's two Moscow correspondents for our ITV programmes, Tim Ewart and Penny Marshall, were away on honeymoon, ITN's acting Moscow correspondent was Robert Moore who over the past three years has spent long periods in the Soviet Union, initially as a producer and then as a correspondent. His only long period away from Moscow was as a correspondent in the Gulf war.

By Tuesday Tim Ewart and Penny Marshall were back in Moscow with Robert and on Tuesday's *News at Ten* Penny reported live with the first details of the shooting which we now know to be the turning point in the story. By Thursday ITN had a total of five correspondents in Moscow — all Russian speakers — and one in Estonia.

Yours faithfully,
STEWART PURVIS,
Editor-in-Chief,
Independent Television News Ltd.,
200 Gray's Inn Road, WC1.

Empty pipelines

From Mr Arthur Fountain

Sir, Has the West now learned its lesson? Gorbachev asked for help. He got promises loaded with conditions. The Russian people have no entrepreneurs and no wholesale warehouses, no food in the pipeline between field and retailers. With massive quantities of food, could we not send teams of management teachers to train a whole new class of entrepreneurs?

Yours sincerely,
ARTHUR FOUNTAIN,
56 Onslow Drive, Sidcup, Kent.
August 21.

Village shop battle against the 'megastore menace'

From Mr Jim Griffin

Sir, By and large the points made in your leader, "The megastore menace" (August 19), are valid. However, when the attitudes of villagers and residents of other discrete communities toward their local shops are considered, a distinction needs to be made between those who have a completely unfettered choice as to where they shop for their staple needs and those who, for a variety of reasons, have no such freedom.

The latter group, which must represent a very significant proportion of most such communities, includes many older people, many disabled, those without cars, those, such as many "carers", whose domestic circumstances restrict their mobility and the less affluent. The situation of such groups is particularly acute in the many areas where nowadays only an infrequent and/or expensive public transport service operates.

Living in a village of some 2,500 souls which in recent years has lost two of its three grocery shops, one of its two butchers and its fish shop and being one of those virtually dependent on local shopping, I find little cause for optimism that the growth of devil-take-the-hindmost principles, which seems to have been encouraged in the last decade, will be stemmed or reversed.

Yours sincerely,
JIM GRIFFIN,
27 Station Road,
Shrivenham, Swindon, Wiltshire.
August 20.

From Mr Malcolm MacEwen

Sir, The villagers of Wootton Courtenay will be pleased to see the prominence you have given to our efforts (report and photograph, August 19), but I would like to correct a misunderstanding reflected in your leader.

When we were given a month's notice of the village shop's closure we raised £112,000 in five weeks, by selling debentures which are a first charge on the assets of our private limited liability company. Every villager has an equal voice in the management of the company, for the ordinary shareholders (one for every £100 debenture) have one vote each, regardless of the number of shares that they own.

We did not carry out the original intention to run the shop as a co-operative. The shop is leased to a tenant, but it could not be profitable if we paid the going rate of interest to our shareholders and the tenant had then to pay a commercial rent. Nor would a tenant stay if, as you seem to suggest, he (or she) had to work all hours every day. Because we own the shop and the villagers do not expect dividends we can, in effect, subsidise the rent and circumvent market forces.

Yours faithfully,
MALCOLM MacEWEN
(Chairman, Wootton Courtenay Villagers' Stores Ltd.),
Manor House, Wootton Courtenay,
Minehead, Somerset.
August 19.

From Dr Richard Fordham

Sir, You advise planners to consider the wider repercussions of granting permission for hypermarkets which may endanger the future of village stores. Planners usually do, but often cannot act on their opinions due to the Department of the Environment advice.

"Planning Policy Guidance Note 6" from the DoE, on retail development, says clearly that permission should be granted unless the result would be to seriously affect the vitality and viability of a nearby town centre "as a whole". This is extremely hard to prove. In most cases the council has to grant permission because the alternative would be to lose on appeal: the planning inspectors follow government advice pretty closely.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD FORDHAM
(Managing Director),
Planning Negotiators,
91 Ledbury Road, W11.
August 19.

From Ms Bernadette Barnett

Sir, In your leading article you point out that the general populace is shunning the village markets for superstores. The most important fact about the superstores is that they are open during hours available to working people.

Britain will soon learn the lessons that American retailing was forced to take heed of years ago as more women enter the workplace. Retail establishments will be forced to stay open to accommodate those of us who do not have a wife or nanny to send out for provisions.

I am an American who has been given the wonderful opportunity of living in your country for a few years. While here, I would much rather spend my weekends touring the lovely gardens and castles than face the queue at Marks and Spencer for clothing necessities. Why not compromise and try opening from 12 noon to 8pm more than one night a week? It may even boost the sagging economy.

Yours faithfully,
BERNADETTE BARNETT,
20 Milner Street,
Chelsea, SW3.
August 19.

From Mr Morton Middleditch

Sir, Serious problems are caused for local shops by the 1950 Shops Act. Although these shops can legally open they cannot legally sell their full range of goods. Many local shops have been prosecuted merely for serving their customers' needs on a Sunday.

As some 40 per cent of the turnover of local shops comes from late-night and Sunday trading, the viability of our neighbourhood stores is threatened by this out-of-date law.

Outlets Providing for Everyday Needs (OPEN) represents around 10,000 small local stores. We are urging the government to reform the law. We do not wish to see widespread opening of the high street on Sundays but merely seek to legitimise the position for shops.

Yours faithfully,
MORTON MIDDLEDITCH
(Chairman) OPEN,
Rex House,
4-12 Lower Regent Street, SW1.
August 21.

From Mr J. D. Butler

Sir, Most people who would use village shops have cars and unfortunately the proliferation of parking restraints makes it almost impossible to get to these shops. So we go to the supermarkets where we can park.

No amount of improvement in the efficiency of small shops, as suggested by the chairman of Spar (August 22), will help if the customers are kept away by traffic control.

Yours sincerely,
J. D. BUTLER,
9 Cottenham Drive,
Copse Hill, Wimbledon, SW20.
August 22.

Care of the countryside

From Mr Nicholas A. Lane

Sir, The deputy director of the Ramblers' Association is right to be concerned about the state of English footpaths (details, August 12). As a landowner and a rambler, I am too. Your report stated that the obstructions were none too serious, but the route was not maintained or signposted. Quite right. This is the responsibility of the county council. The surface of the heavily overgrown "path" is also county council responsibility.

Paths do not have to cross the middle of reshaped fields; they could be diverted, but the mechanism for this, given one objection, is a public enquiry which in these days of agricultural recession is too costly for farmer and landowner alike.

I suggest we reform these archaic laws, bring actions against county councils who fail to do their duties, and the very few landowning law-flouters will quickly come to heel.

Yours hopefully,
NICHOLAS LANE,
Margaretta House,
Clenchwarton,
King's Lynn, Norfolk.
August 13.

From Mr Philip R. Noakes

Sir, I am dismayed to read in your report that so eminent an authority as the chairman of the Countryside Commission, Sir John Johnson, considers "people were all too easily deterred" by notices in woodlands stating "reserved rights: no public access".

As the freehold owner of woodland, leased in my case to the Forestry Commission, I have all rights reserved and there is no public access — and notices saying so are clearly displayed. They mean what they say and I only wish they were always effective in deterring trespassers, even including Sir John and his fellow ramblers.

Yours sincerely,
PHILIP R. NOAKES,
Little St Mary's,
St Mary's Lane, Uplyme,
Lyme Regis, Dorset.
August 12.

From Mr Douglas Haines

Sir, Great play is made of the erosion wrought by walkers. But in the case of Ashdown Forest, it is surprising that Mr Morriss (August 6) has not mentioned the far greater erosion produced by horses. The surrounding area is chock-a-block with "equestrian establishments" (to coin a phrase) of all sorts. Their riders are drawn to the forest like a magnet.

Half a ton of horse on iron hooves does far greater, deeper damage than a number of ramblers. The thin vegetation is swiftly worn away and wind and rain removes the shallow top soil.

Yours sincerely,
DOUGLAS HAINES,
Pippins, Duddleswell,
Uckfield, East Sussex.
August 13.

Classical music

From Captain K. Morrison, RN

Sir, Readers in possession of digital radios with the ability to search through the frequency bands will be aware that there is a seemingly endless number of stations transmitting "popular" music. Radio 3 is at present the only source of serious music. However, notwithstanding the proms, Radio 3 seems increasingly to be diluted in the evenings by plays, poetry and documentaries.

Can I therefore appeal for the talking to be shifted to Radio 4 and for more real music to be scheduled at the peak listening periods?

Yours faithfully,
K. W. J. MORRISON,
Briden House,
Littlewood Gardens,
West End, Hampshire.
August 17.

Scale of deception

From Mr G. E. Edmondson-Jones

Sir, We have undoubtedly become a nation of weightwatchers. I invariably use my wife's scales, where the reading gives me the smug feeling that I must weigh a lot less than I actually look.

On the other hand, as a good host I place the scales in the other bathroom in a prominent position for the use of our guests. It is surprising how many of them arrive with a seemingly hearty appetite but, after an early-morning visit to that bathroom, seem to go right off their food for the rest of the day.

I call that a healthy economy — their health and my economy.

Yours faithfully,
G. E. EDMONDSON-JONES,
Richmond Garth, Oulston Road,
Easingwold, Yorks.

Spectral experience

From Mr David Meredith

Sir, Some years ago it was my daily practice to visit Brompton cemetery (report August 20) and, armed with *The Times* crossword, to settle down on a wooden bench in the tranquillity of the graveyard with only the parks' policeman (who lived in the gatehouse), sexton, grey squirrels and song-birds to disturb my solitude.

That was until one misty, autumnal morning. I had bidden Emmeline Pankhurst's grave "good morning" and as I approached Richard Tauber's resting place, a few graves away, an eerie clanking of chains, a distant voice beckoning "David, come and join us!" and strains of "Girls were meant to love and kiss" came forth from the grave.

Never have I moved so fast as I did that morning.

I later learned the perpetrator of my near heart attack had earlier been approached by the parks' policeman as he was setting up his tape-recorder and speakers in the undergrowth. Apparently the officer had been satisfied my "friend" was from the BBC and making recordings of bird sounds in this, one of London's few remaining sanctuaries.

Yours etc.,
DAVID MEREDITH,
17 South Marine,
Aberystwyth, Dyfed.
August 21.

Manse changes

From Mr D. A. Lundie

Sir, Your Anglican correspondents (August 6, etc) should take note that the C of E has no more monopoly over financial fecklessness than over credal credibility.

The United Reformed Church has recently rubber-stamped its leaders' recommendation to cease paying manse light and heat costs direct to the power suppliers, and instead to increase stipends so that ministers can make the payments themselves.

The effect is that the cost of this domestic benefit will be grossed up by additional tax and National Insurance contributions.

I estimate this gratuitous subvention to the Exchequer will exceed £200,000 a year, payable for ever. Nice for Norman Lamont, but a blow to our shrinking and hard-pressed congregations, and justified largely on grounds of clerical dignity.

Yours sincerely,
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Parish costs

From the Rural Dean of Sparham

Sir, I am responsible for three very small Norfolk parishes (populations 50, 100 and 250), each with its own medieval flint church building. It is not the £2,500 parish share (the levy or quota paid voluntarily by each parish to the diocese to help pay for the church) that bothers us (letters, July 19, 26, 31, August 6), but the upkeep of the buildings. To replace one chancel roof in traditional materials, which is mandatory, is currently costed at £32,000.

Even if English Heritage is able to provide a 70 per cent grant, which is optimistic, we are still left needing £9,000, or nearly four times the total annual quota. Where do we find that sort of money? You can only have so many jumble sales and coffee mornings.

Yours sincerely,
ARTHUR HAWES,
The Rectory, Attlebridge,
Norwich, Norfolk.
August 14.

Not Fledermaus

From Mr W. J. A. Turner Inman

Sir, Bats have taken part in many productions at Glyndebourne over the years (Diary, August 19). In the fifties I saw a production of *Macbeth* which obviously appealed or disturbed them; for they were about in several scenes and added to the effect.

I was sitting next to a lady who was convinced that it was all part of the design, but she was quite unable to work out how it was achieved.

Yours faithfully,
W. J. A. TURNER INMAN,
Little Leigh, Blackborough,
Cullompton, Devon.
August 20.

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SOCIAL NEWS

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.J. Bates
Miss S.J. Cotton

The engagement is announced between Joshua, only son of Mr and Mrs Michael Bates, of Great Claydons, East Hanningfield, Essex, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Stanley Cotton, of Crabtree Cottage, Thorp Arch, Wetherby, Yorkshire.

Mr T.W.D. Bell
and Miss S.J.A. Dalley

The engagement is announced between Thomas, elder son of Mr and Mrs Peter Bell, of Market Lovington, Wiltshire, and Susan, elder daughter of Mrs M. Dalley, of Hamilton, Ontario.

Mr J.M.L. Brown
and Miss M.A. Charlton

The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Mr J.P. Brown and of Mrs M.L. Brown, of Jacobs Well, Surrey, and Melanie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Murray A. Charlton, of Lyme Regis, Dorset.

Mr R.J. Moberly
and Miss C.J.F. Baker

The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Sir John and Lady Moberly, and Catharine, daughter of Mr Noel Baker and the late Mrs Baker (Joanna Scott-Moncrieff).

Mr M.V. Tiggeman
and Dr S.J. Evans

The engagement is announced between Mark, only son of Mr and Mrs John Martin Tiggeman, of Fitzroy, Adelaide, South Australia, and Susan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs David Garth Evans, of Kensington Park, Adelaide, South Australia.

Marriage

The Very Rev Dr D. Shaw
and Professor A.L. Dallapiccola

The marriage took place in the Chapter House of the Order of St John, Edinburgh, on Saturday, August 10, 1991, between the Very Reverend Dr Duncan Shaw and Professor Anna L. Dallapiccola. The Very Reverend Professor R. A. S Barbour officiated.

Weekend birthdays

TODAY: Lord Ashby, 87; Mr Paul Barker, writer and broadcaster, 56; Mrs Liz Bavidge, president, National Council of Women of Great Britain, 46; Vice-Admiral Sir Stephen Berthon, 69; Mr Alan Brooker, former chairman, Extel Group, 60; Sir Giles Bullard, diplomat, 65; Miss Antonia Byatt, writer, 55; Mr Charles Causley, poet, 74; Mr Carlo Curley, organist, 39; Sir James Duncan, chairman, Transport Development Group, 64; Mr Michael Franklin, civil servant, 64.

Mr Stephen Fry, actor, writer and comedian, 34; Mrs Mildred Gordon, MP, 68; the Earl of Harrington, 69; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Johnston, former Comptroller, Lord Chamberlain's Office, 69; Commander Sir Clive Loehnis, former director, GCHQ, 89; the Right Rev Cormac Murphy-O'Connor, Bishop of Arundel and Brighton, 59; Mr Madsen Pirie, president, Adam Smith Institute, 51; Brigadier F.E. Stafford, former colonial officer, 96; Sir Graham Swanwick, former High Court judge, 85; Mr Sam Torrance, golfer, 38; Mr H.R. Wright, chief master-designate, King Edward's School, Birmingham, 53.

TOMORROW: Mr Martin Amis, author, 42; Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Armitage, 61; Mr Conrad Black, chairman, *The Daily Telegraph*, 47; Mr Sean Connery, actor, 61; Lord Dunsany, 85; Sir Malcolm Field, chairman, Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes, 54; Dr Desmond Flower, former chairman, Cassell and Company, 84; Mr Frederick Forsyth, author, 53; Mr Andrew Gardner, broadcaster, 59; Professor Peter Gray, master, Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, 65.

Viscount Hardinge, 35; Sir Donald Logan, diplomat, 74; Lord McGregor of Durris, 70; Mr Brian Moore, novelist, 70; Miss Margaret Rothwell, diplomat, 53; Sir Crispin Tickell, warden, Green College, Oxford, 61; Mrs M.S. Trenaman, former principal, St Anne's College, Oxford, 72; Professor Anne Warner, physiologist, 51.

Anniversaries

Today

BIRTHS: Robert Herrick, poet, London, 1591; George Stubbs, painter, Liverpool, 1724; William Wilberforce, leader of the anti-slavery movement, Hull, 1759; James Weddell, Antarctic explorer, Ostend, 1787; Sir Max Beerbohm, caricaturist and writer, London, 1872; Jorge Luis Borges, poet, Buenos Aires, 1899; Graham Sutherland, painter, London, 1903.

DEATHS: Il Parmigianino (Francesco Mazzoli), painter, Cremona, 1540; Thomas Chatterton, poet, committed suicide, London, 1770; Sadi Carnot, scientist, Paris, 1832; Getulio Vargas, president of Brazil 1930-45, committed suicide, Rio de Janiero, 1954; Felix Topolski, artist, 1989.

Eruption of Mount Vesuvius, destroying both Pompeii and Herculaneum; among the thousands who perished was the naturalist Pliny the Elder, AD 79. Rome was captured by the Visigoths, AD 410. Massacre of the Protestants in France (St Bartholomew's Day), 1572. Washington was captured by British forces, 1814. Matthew (Captain) Webb became the first person to swim the English Channel - Dover to Calais in 22 hours, 1875.

Tomorrow

BIRTHS: Bret Harte, writer, Albany, New York, 1836; Leonard Bernstein, composer, Lawrence, Massachusetts, 1918.

DEATHS: Sir Henry Morgan, buccaneer, Jamaica (?), 1688; David Hume, philospher, Edinburgh, 1776; James Watt, engineer, Birmingham, 1819; Sir William Herschel, astronomer, Slough, Buckinghamshire, 1822; Michael Faraday, physicist, near Hampton Court, 1867; Friedrich Nietzsche, philosopher, Weimar, 1900; Henri Fantin-Latour, painter, Buré, France, 1904; Gregori Zinoviev, revolutionary, executed, Moscow, 1936; George, Duke of Kent, killed in an air crash near Dunbeath, Highland, 1942; George Lincoln Rockwell, American nazi leader, murdered, Arlington, Virginia, 1967; Stanley Bruce, 1st Viscount Bruce of Melbourne, prime minister of Australia 1923-29, London, 1967; Truman Capote, writer, 1984.

Formation of a national government led by Ramsay MacDonald, 1931. General de Gaulle entered Paris after its liberation by the Allies, 1944.

Edinburgh Fringe appeals over costs

BY SIMON TAIT, ARTS CORRESPONDENT

THE FUTURE of the Edinburgh Fringe is likely to dominate its committee's annual meeting today after the withering attack on it by Frank Dunlop, director of the Edinburgh Festival.

Mr Dunlop described this year's Fringe as a modern tower of Babel of the arts. He said that the reduction in theatre companies appearing was caused by the prohibitive costs of venue rental, accommodation and publicity.

Simon Fanshawe, a comedian and Fringe committee member, will recommend the creation of a foundation to help theatre companies at future Fringes. Mr Fanshawe, winner of the Perrier award for the best Fringe performance in 1989, said: "We need to investigate ways of setting up a foundation whose purpose would be to encourage new work in Fringe theatre, but if there is a lack of original work it is in the theatre in general, and the Fringe is reflecting the scene as a whole.

"If we can encourage new work with the help of a foundation we will be serving not just the Edinburgh Fringe and festival, but the theatre as a whole."

Mr Fanshawe denied that bad comedy was pushing good theatre off Fringe venues. There were two and a half times as many drama as comedy shows this year, but comedy was selling one and a half times more tickets. "The quality of comedy is very strong; the quality of theatre is not so strong and this is what we need to address."

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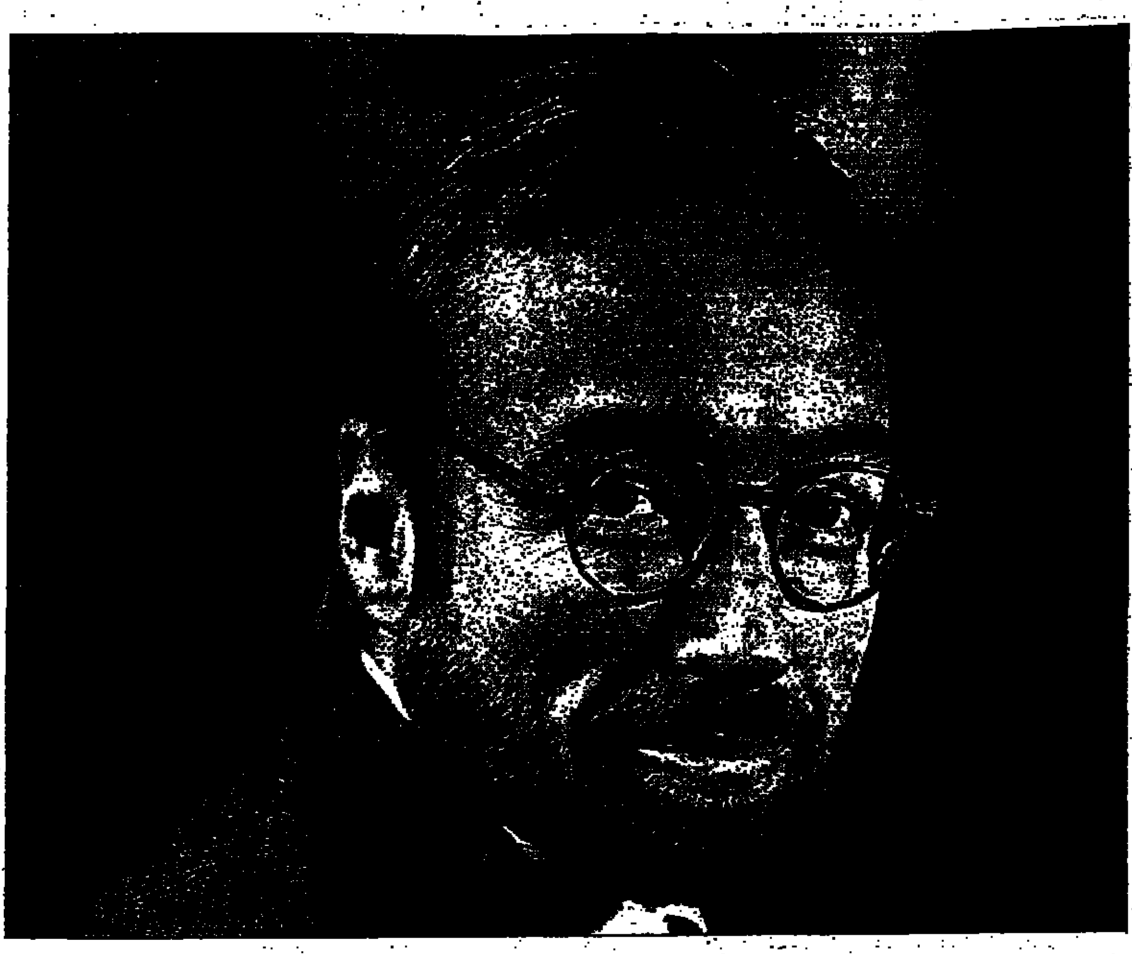
OBITUARIES

ADRIAN WARD-JACKSON



Adrian Ward-Jackson, CBE, art consultant, former chairman of the dance panel of the Arts Council and a former governor of the Royal Ballet, died of Aids in St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, yesterday aged 41. He was born on June 6, 1950.

ADRIAN Ward-Jackson loved art, dance, friends and society, and his high intelligence, profound shrewdness, exquisite courtesy and innate kindness led him to play a crucial if little-known role in the world of the arts nationally and internationally.

He had a marvellous eye and a wealth of contacts, and this combination provided the background to a singularly successful career in providing the highest quality of art to an extremely small group of clients. As he did not hold stock himself, nor have public premises, and worked more often with buyers rather than sellers, Ward-Jackson preferred to call himself an art consultant rather than a dealer. Behind the scenes he did place major paintings and drawings coming out of private hands into the world's great museums; but his most characteristic accomplishment was the making of great private collections. Travelling the world as chairman and director of Adrian Ward-Jackson Ltd, he helped several collectors build up groups of works as fine if not finer than those housed in museums, as everything was of superlative quality. One of his finest achievements was the superb group of decorative and applied arts, notably French, which he helped Mrs Seward "Baba" Johnson, the Polish-born American heiress and collector and recent purchaser of the Badminton Cabinet, bring together.

Cherubic in appearance and charming in manner, Adrian Ward-Jackson worked exceptionally hard not only in his chosen profession, but tirelessly in and on committees, an art form in itself, occasionally sneered at, but which is vital in the support system for all sorts of collaborative efforts.

When he became chairman of Ballet Rambert, in succession to, and chosen by, Andrew Knight, his fellow committee members discovered what many had known already, that his calm and quiet manner cloaked an efficiency that could if necessary be ruthless. His committee manner was brisk but not brusque and he was remarkable for the rapidity with which he could dispatch complicated business without anybody feeling they had not had their say behind the scenes or up front. He demanded with quietly insistent determination that decisions were not only reached but also acted upon. He was quick, crisp, decisive yet sensitive in the handling of complicated issues and conflicting desires. With delicate precision, Adrian Ward-Jackson journeyed his way through the arts world, a world which is so often a nightmare of cultural politics exacerbated by chronic under-funding.

Committees became another profession for him, particularly as at a relatively early age he retired from active art consultancy. He began his active commitment to working for the arts, notably the visual arts, dance and related areas only in the past six years, becoming a member of the Arts Council in 1989 and chairman of its dance panel in 1990, as well as a member of the Office of Arts and Libraries' steering group on structures of art funding. Alas, the onset of ill-health compelled him to resign from the Arts Council in May this year.

At Rambert, which he chaired for six years (1984-1990) resigning on his appointment as chairman of the Arts Council's dance panel, he actively encouraged that company's unusually fertile and creative collaboration with visual artists. His Mayfair flat was filled with a profusion of colour and pattern, enlivened by Renaissance bronzes, wonderful objets d'art and extraordinary French engravings of portraits and landscapes. It offered an almost perfect model of how to live with and among art, had one the will and the money to do so. The rooms were also filled with exuberant arrays of flowers and plants, and were surprisingly liveable in. Ward-Jackson was celebrated for the small luncheons and dinners that he hosted in Mount Street, characterised by amazing guests, outstanding cuisine and impeccable service.

After leaving Westminster School, Adrian Alexander Ward-Jackson served what amounted to an old fashioned apprenticeship by working as a research assistant in Vienna at the drawing cabinet of the Albertina on Old Master drawings. He then worked in the drawings department of Christie's, and for several years at Colnaghi's, the Bond Street dealers founded in the late 18th century, and famous for their Old Master paintings and drawings. But Adrian Ward-Jackson was not really an organisation man, and by the age of 25 he had founded his business as an independent art consultant; it is therefore all the more surprising that in his committee life he was so subtly adept at organisation politics.

He was deeply committed to contemporary art. He bought well for the Contemporary Art Society in 1989, including work by Howard Hodgkin and Elizabeth Butterworth, as well as sculptors such as Tony Cragg and Shirazeh Houshiary, paintings by the whiz kid Ian Davenport, and a marvellous minimalist painting by Peter Joseph; in the absolutely contemporary, his taste was for the opulently austere. But perhaps it is not widely known that he made a significant collection of contemporary art for himself, including major work by the sculptor Veronica Ryan, and a big selection of massive pots by Magdalena Odundo. His taste was wide-ranging, and while he himself was ever fashionable, he led rather than followed; his ear was to the groun picking up the beats of the trib drum before the message ha reached the rest of the art world. H style extended to providing both th cook and the lunch for his earl meetings as chairman with the sta of the Contemporary Art Societ and his dance parties, where he toc friends and sometimes the who theatre for gatherings in support Rambert, were famous.

He made money in order to use i It was used notably to enhance th settings in which he lived an worked. But this was the publi social side of his life; behind th scenes he sustained numerous ar commissions, arts charities an groups; there was even a sma anonymous foundation specificall set up to help the Tate Gallery bu works on paper. His friends range far and wide; he was notably kin treating those with whom he worke with the same consideration th most retain only for person friends. But he did expect efficienc and results.

His life was sustained by aesthet delight and close friends arrange for a private visit to the ne Sainsbury Wing at the Nation Gallery so that he could see tho masterpieces once again on whic he had, so-to-speak, cut his e teeth. He had a deep understandi of, and love for, the life of the sense Adrian Ward-Jackson was also su tained by a profound religious fait the fact that he delighted in th procession of distinguished clerg men who visited him during his la months was evidence of the streng of this faith. The pleasure that th life of the world gave him w communicable and real; he w capable of the most profound an quiet friendships, particularly wi strong and gifted women. His ow beliefs and principles allowed him long farewell to the world he loved, conscious farewell more in keepi with the philosophy of the 18 century than our own. The way h lived, and the work he did, have le a legacy not only of good works b of the sustained and heightene apprehensions of those who worke with him, and those who knew hi

Outside the sphere of the ar Ward-Jackson was appointed de uty chairman of the Aids Crisis tru in 1987 and was also a patron of th London Lighthouse hospice for Ai patients.

He was created CBE in the ne year's honours this year for h services to the performing ar especially dance.

OSWALD von NELL-BREUNING, SJ

Oswald von Nell-Breuning, SJ, German sociologist, died in Frankfurt on August 21 aged 101. He was born on March 8, 1890.

OSWALD von Nell-Breuning was a pioneer of modern social economy, whose teaching and writings have been a major influence on labour relations and political thinking, particularly in post-war Germany. He joined the Jesuit order when he was 21 and dedicated his life to the pursuit of social justice between worker and employer.

Von Nell-Breuning's ideas were an important inspiration for *Mitbestimmung*, the enlightened German concept of worker participation in management which has played such an important role in reducing friction between the partners in industry, greatly reducing the frequency of strikes by comparison with the record of Germany's main European competitors. Indeed *Mitbestimmung* was an vital component of Germany's post-war economic recovery (the *Wirtschaftswunder*).

Von Nell-Breuning was born in Trier — also the birthplace of Karl Marx — where his father was a vintner. After leaving school he studied theology and political and social economy at Kiel, Munich, Strasbourg, Berlin and Innsbruck universities before becoming a priest in 1921. He then studied at the Gregorian university in Rome before earning his doctorate in 1928 with a thesis on "The morals of the stock exchange".

On the strength of that he was given the chair of Christian social teaching and ethics at the Saint George's high school for philosophy and theology in Frankfurt, a post he held for over half a century. There he evolved his ideas of *Mitbestimmung*, in which he ruled that labour and capital had an equal value in the building of a company. As an adviser to Pope Pius XI, he was one of those who, in 1931, contributed to the draft for the encyclical *Quadragesimo anno*, which laid down the special responsibilities of ownership and set down the principle that labour should receive a just reward.

With the arrival of the Nazis in power in 1933 his philosophies quickly fell into disfavour and in 1936 all his works were banned. He continued teaching, however, and in 1944 he was arrested and sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

After the war his ideas were soon in vogue again. In 1948 he was appointed a part-time advisor to the economics ministry, a post he held until 1965. In 1949 he became a lecturer at the Academy for Labour in Frankfurt and in 1956 was made honorary professor for the bases of philosophy at Frankfurt university.

However it was his influence on the politics of post-war Germany which won him most recognition. Much of his work was adopted by the Social Democratic party (SPD) in writing its 1959 "Bad Godesburg" programme for government, while the *Deutsche Gewerkschaftsbund* (DGB), the German trade union movement, never made a major policy decision without taking his advice. They did not always like what he told them. Although he supported their campaign for a 35 hour week he insisted this should only be on the basis that wages should drop in line with the number of working hours.

Despite his campaign for workers' rights, he was far from being uncritical of then and in the 1970s shocke trade unions with a bitin study devoted to the fault and failings of the work forc A former DGB leader Oska Vetter described him as "ou friend in the critical distance" Rejecting complaints that hi work was too theoretical, h wrote: "I am no high-minde thinker, but a brutal realis who deals with real toug problems."

The labour movemen showered him with honour including the Hans Böckle prize, the DGB's highest hon our, and he was made member of the Bavaria Order of Maximilian in 198 A fit man for most of his lif he eventually had to give u teaching because of hi increasing deafness. He rea mass for the last time onl three days before he died.

MAJOR-GENERAL BORIS PUGO

Major-General Boris Pugo, the Soviet Minister of Interior, committed suicide on August 22 aged 54. He was born in Kalinin in 1937.

BORIS Pugo was one of the ring-leaders of the coup d'état which attempted to topple Mikhail Gorbachev as president of the Soviet Union and restore a hard-line regime in the country. He shot himself when he was on the point of being arrested following the collapse of the coup.

Boris Karlovich Pugo was a Latvian and the son of a Latvian communist who emigrated to the Soviet Union and lived there during the period of Latvia's independent statehood between the two world wars. With Latvia incorporated in the Soviet Union Pugo was able to make most of his career as an official of the Communist party or one of its associated organisations there. In 1969-1970 he was first secretary of the Latvian Komsomol (young communist league) but in 1970 he moved to Moscow to become a secretary of the all-Union Komsomol organisation. He remained there until 1974 but in 1975 switched to the Communist party apparatus and became first secretary of the party in the Latvian capital, Riga.

Pugo's next move was to the KGB, of which he became first deputy chairman for Latvia from 1977 to 1980 and chairman in 1980. He remained KGB chief until 1984 when, with Konstantin Chernenko general secretary of the Soviet Communist party, Pugo was given what was at that time the highest political office in Latvia, the first secretaryship of the central committee of the republic's Communist party.

He was brought back to Moscow in 1988 and appointed chairman of the committee of party control (at the all-Union level), ironically the body which was responsible for considering complaints about wrongdoing in the party and the issue of rehabilitation of those unjustly killed or persecuted during the Stalin era. Pugo became a candidate member of the Politburo in 1989.

In late 1990 Gorbachev was subjected to great pressure from senior figures in his administration (including several of those who turned up as organisers of the attempted coup) to replace the liberal Vadim Bakatin who had been Gorbachev's own choice as interior minister with Boris Pugo. Gorbachev gave way to these demands, although he maintained good relations with Bakatin and in 1991 appointed him a member of his security council. (The latter body was immediately suspended by the junta leaders during the brief period in which they held some power.) Pugo became interior minister on December 2, 1990, with General Boris Gromov, the former commander of Soviet troops in Afghanistan, as his first deputy.

Subsequent acts of violence and killings by the troops of the interior ministry, especially in the Baltic republics, were almost certainly i stigated and backed by Pug although he usually denied i On more than one occasio these acts were timed to cau the maximum embarrassme to Gorbachev — for examp when he was about to me Western leaders to discu closer economic links.

Pugo was an unreco structed communist of a ty familiar from the past. H emergence as one of t leading members of the s called state committee for t state of emergency in t USSR, formed on August 1 was not a surprise to the criti of his initial appointment. H death by his own hand will regretted by Soviet hard-line but by few, if any, others.

Church services tomorrow

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 9 HC: 9.30 M: 11 S Euch, Little Organ Mass (Haydn), Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd). Rev J H R de Sausmarez: 3.15 E, Responses (Rose), Stanford in C, Te Deum in G (Vaughan Williams): 6.30 Sermon & Compline, Rev P G C Brett.

YORK MINSTER: 8 & 8.45 HC: 10 S Euch, Mass of Light (Wilson), Be still, my soul (Whitlock). Canon J Toy: 11.30 M, Te Deum in G (Vaughan Williams), Jubilate (Shephard): 4 E, Stanford in A, Blessed city, heavenly Salem (Bairstow). Rev L Carberry: 5.15 Recital by the Royal School of Church Music Cathedral Course.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: 8 HC: 10.30 M, Responses (Rose), Te Deum and Jubilate (Mozart). Canon M Seward: 11 HC, Coronation Mass (Mozart), Ave verum (Mozart): 3.15 E, Magnificat: Vesperae solennes de confessore (Mozart). Laudate pueri (Mozart). Rev R Reader.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 8 HC: 10 M, Responses (Leighton), Collegium Regale (Howells), Sing joyfully (Mundy). Canon C Semper: 11.15 Abbey Euch, Missa O quam gloriosum (Victoria). Ave Verum (Elgar). Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd). Rev P Ferguson: 3 E, Introit White Precamur, Wood in F, Bring us, O Lord God (Harris): 5.45 Organ Recital: 6.30 ES, Canon C Semper.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 HC: 11 S Euch, Missa Brevis (Palestrina), Alleluia, I heard a voice (Weelkes), Ave verum (Byrd). Canon P Penwarden: 3 E, Brewer in D, Glorious things of thee are spoken (Goodenough).

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30 & 7 Mass: 10.30 Sung Mass: 2.30 Organ Recital: 3.30 Solemn V & B.

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: 6 LM (Sat): 8, 10 (Children's) & 6 LM: 11.30 HM. Fr M Jones.

GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DIVINE WISDOM, Moscow Rd, W2: 9.30 M: 11 Divine Liturgy.

RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD, Ennismore Gdns, SW7: 10.30 Divine Liturgy.

SERBIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF ST SAVVA, Lancaster Rd, W11: 10.30 Divine Liturgy.

QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY, WC2: Services resume in October.

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich, SE10: Services resume on 1 September.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks, SW1: 11 M, To Thee, O Lord (Rachmaninoff), Te Deum, Flocks in pastures green abiding (Bach). Rev J A Barrie: 12 HC.

GRAY'S INN CHAPEL: Services resume on 6 October.

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL: Services resume on 13 October.

TOWER OF LONDON, EC3: Services resume on 1 September.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street, EC4: Services resume on 6 October.

ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) WC2: 9 & 12.15 HC: 11 MP. Rev A T R Goode.

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: Services resume on 8 September.

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: 11 S Euch. Rev Canon P Delaney.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, W1: 8 & 5.15 LM: 11 HM, Spatzenmesse (Mozart), O clap you hands (Gibbons). Rev C A Jones: 6 E & B, Wood in E flat, Evening Hymn (Balfour Gardiner). The Vicar.

ALL SOULS, Langham Place, W1: 11 Rev S Wookey: 6.30 Rev I Bentley.

CHELSEA OLD CHURCH, Cheyne Walk, SW3: 11 M, Rev J H L Cross: 6 E Preb C E L Thomson.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHELSEA, SW3: 8 HC: 11 S Euch, Rev N Vigars.

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: 11 S Euch. Rev A W Marks.

HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road, SW7: 10.30 Family S. Canon K de Berry: 6.30 Informal Service. Mr Jeremy Jennings.

HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Road, SW7: 8.30 & 12.05 HC: 11 MP, Bishop of Fulham.

HOLY TRINITY, Sloane Street, SW1: 8.45 & 11 HC. Rev K Yates.

ST ALBAN'S, Brooke St, EC1: 9.30 SM: 11 HM, Mass in E major (Darke). Rev J Knight: 5.30 LM.

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, West Smithfield, EC1: 9 HC: 11 M. Rev A Winter: 6.30 E, Rev P Faunch.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 Choral M & Euch, Gibbons Second Service, Four Part (Byrd), We wait for thy loving kindness (McKie). Rev H Souder: 6.30 Choral E, Gibbons Second Service, O clap your hands (Gibbons). Rev H Souder.

ST CUTHBERT'S, Philbeach Gardens SW5: 10 HC: 11 S Euch, Gibbons in F. Fr Bill.

ST GEORGE'S, Bloomsbury, WC1: 10 Euch: 6.30 EP. Fr M Day.

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square, W1: 8.30 HC: 11 S Euch, Statham in D. A. Jesu, the very thought of Thee (Victoria). The Rector.

ST GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, St Giles High St, WC2: 8 & 12 HC: 11 MP: 6.30 EP. Rev G Taylor.

ST JAMES'S, Muswell Hill, N10: 8 HC: 11 Family S. Preb M Bunker: 6.30 HC. Rev G Williams.

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly, W1: 8.30 HC: 11 S Euch: 5.45 EP.

ST JAMES'S, Sussex Gardens, W2: 8 HC: 10.30 S Euch, Rev G Buckle: 6 E. Rev Canon J Wilkinson.

ST JOHN'S, Hyde Park Crescent, W2: 8 HC: 10 Parish Euch with Children's Church, Rev T Birchard: 6.30 Evening Worship, Rev O Ross.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, Holland Rd, W14: 10 Mass (Latin). 11 SM. Fr G Bright: 6 V & B.

ST JOHN'S WOOD CHURCH, NW8: 8 & 9.30 HC: 11 S Euch, Rev J Slater.

ST LUKE'S, Chelsea, SW3: 8 HC: 10.30 MP & HC. Rev D Watson: 6.30 E. Rev D Watson.

ST MARK'S, Regent's Park Rd, NW1: 8 HC: 10 Family HC: 11 S Euch, Merbecke. Rev T Devonshire Jones.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster, SW1: 11 Choral M & Baptism, Responses (Leighton), Short Service (Weelkes). My soul there is a country (Parry). Canon D Gray: 12.15 HC.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2: 8 HC: 9.45 Euch. The Vicar: 11.30 Visitors to London Service, Rev Dr Joyce Bennett: 5 E: 6.30 ES, Rev N McCurry.

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, SW1: 9; 9.45 & 7 LM: 11 HM, Missa Quarti toni (Victoria). Dr Brian Horne: 6 Solemn E & Solemn B.

ST MARY'S, Primrose Hill, NW3: 8 HC: 11 S Euch, Merbecke. Rev I Brown: 6.30 EP.

ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, W1: Services resume on 1 September.

ST MARY-LE-STRAND (WRNS Church), Strand WC2: Services resume on 1 September.

ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square, SW1: 8.15 & 11 HC. Rev J Crossley: 7 Informal ES. Rev J Crossley.

ST MICHAEL'S, Cornhill, EC3: Services resume on 1 September.

ST PAUL'S, Onslow Square, SW7: 10.30 Family HC: 6.30 Informal Service.

ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, SW1: 8 & 9 HC: 11 Solemn Euch. Rev H Ruschmeyer.

ST PETER'S, Eaton Square, SW1: 8.15 HC: 10 Family Mass: 11 SM, Western Wind Mass (Tye). Fr Ashley Buck.

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Milner Street, SW3: 8 HC: 11 MP: 6.30 E. Rev G James.

ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road, SW7: 8 & 9 LM: 11 SM, Mass in C (Mozart), Adiae, Lord, into Thy rest (Byrd), Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd). Fr G Colven: 6 Solemn E & B, Fr John Towers.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lane, EC2: 11 Sung Mass. Rev R Avent.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Pont Street, SW1: 11 & 6 Rev J H McIndoe.

CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Covent Garden, WC2: 11.15 & 6.30 Rev H G Ross.

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, W1: 11 Missa Dixit Maria (Hassler), Laudate Dominum (Pitoni), Tantum ergo in A flat (Bruckner).

CHURCH OF OUR LADY, Lisson Grove, St John's Wood: 10.45 LM.

FARM STREET, W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15, 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 HM.

THE ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Mass in G minor (Vaughan Williams), Laudate pueri (Haydn). 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B, O bone Jesu (Dering).

ST ETHELDREDA'S, Ely Place: 11 Sung Mass, Missa Solemnis (Chassang), Bonum est (Eberlin).

OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kensington High Street, W8: 6.30 (Sat): 8.30, 10, 11.15 (Latin), 12.30, 6.30 LM.

AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tottenham Court Rd, W1: 11 Rev Ron F Allison.

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KENSINGTON TEMPLE (Charismatic), Notting Hill Gate, W11: 9, 11, 2.30, 6.30 & 9.

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SALVATION ARMY (Regent Hall), Oxford St W1: 11 Mrs Maureen Hunt: 6.30 Major C Hunt.

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ST JOHN'S WOOD URC, NW8: Rev a McLellan.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, E 9.45 HC: 11 MS, Rev P Hulme

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Church news

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The Rev A.C.H. (Peter) Pearn Vicar, Hornchurch, St Andr (Chelmsford): to retire as from January 1992.

The Rev Peter Robinson, Vicar Barnabas, Shore, Littleborou (Manchester): to resign as from August.

The Rev Peter White, Vicar, Wrav (Lincoln): to retire as from 31 Aug.

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TIM BISHOP

Gun law: Master Turner, of the High Court, complete with starting pistol, preparing yesterday to send John Harding and colleagues from the City solicitors, Norton Rose, on a sponsored bicycle ride from London to Paris to raise money for the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children

Archaeology

Shining insight into the aboriginal mind

By NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

INTEGRATION of archaeological and ethnographic data from northern Australia shows that prehistoric stone tools, for over a century regarded as embodying only technical and economic evidence from the past, can also offer insights into the minds of our ancestors.

Some tools made of glittering stone, such as quartzite, are seen by living Aborigines as having power to kill, in this instance because the *brilliance of the stone is likened* to the shining fat of an animal.

Dr Clive Gamble, of Southampton University, points out that such evidence casts light not only on the survival value of such tools "but also on changes in social values deduced from interpretations of their form and aesthetic appeal". He cites the recent work of Paul Taçon, of the Australian Museum in Sydney in Kakadu National Park, an area famous for its prehistoric rock art up to 20,000 years old as well as for the earliest known human occupation of Australia more than 50,000 years ago.

Taçon characterises the stones used for tools in ancient sites as *either dull or shining*, and Dr Gamble notes that the Yolngu people to the east of Kakadu attribute the quality of *bir'yun* "brilliance" to rocks such as quartzite. Spearheads of quartzite are described as *djukurr mirri* "having fat", and are thus seen as good for hunting animals.

Such "brilliance" is "an essential part of any human aesthetic system simply because it produces effects that human beings find stimulating and appealing", Gamble says. Archaeologists may thus classify stone tools on non-technological criteria, as Paul Taçon has in fact *done for those spanning the past* 6,000 years of Kakadu prehistory.

His analysis shows the technical unsuitability of quartz for making long flakes, and suggests that its unexpected dominance thus reflects symbolic behaviour. Dr Gamble feels, however, that such a "magpie model of aesthetics" still needs testing, since universals in human cognitive behaviour are often proposed but rarely substantiated.

He argues that the existing functional interpretation is backed up by evidence that technology varies between regions with changes in the availability and suitability of raw materials. Nevertheless the Kakadu data indicate that "the regional organisation of mobile peoples is both sophisticated and subtle", Dr Gamble says.

Sources: *Antiquity* 65: 185-98; *Nature* 351: 608.

Aerial photograph may be of Saxon palace

AERIAL *photography* has revealed a possible Saxon palace near Hereford (Norman Hammond writes). Interpretation of pictures shot during last summer's drought suggests that the building may be some 1,200 years old.

The discovery was made by James Pickering, one of Britain's leading aerial archaeologists, on a site close to the Iron Age and Roman fort of Sutton Walls, four miles north of Hereford. Nothing is *visible* at ground level: the buildings were entirely of timber, and what has shown up are the light stains where their postholes and foundation trenches became infilled with soil of a different texture from the surrounding subsoil, and thus supported differential growth of vegetation.

The building in this case was defined as a seven-roomed structure flanked by a post-built "large barn, hall, or church", according to Mr Pickering. Archaeologists from Hereford and Worcester county council were able to pinpoint the site on the ground from Mr Pickering's photographs.

The plan is similar to the domestic buildings of the palace complex at Yeavering, near Wooler in Northumberland, which was excavated by Dr Brian Hope-Taylor in the 1950s. Other structures like that at Sutton have been found at Long Itchington and Hatton Rock in Warwickshire.

"There is a local tradition that St Ethelbert, King of East Anglia, was murdered at a 'palace' on the orders of Offa, King of Mercia", Mr Pickering said. "He was going to marry Offa's daughter, but the latter's wife, fearing that the marriage would diminish his authority, *persuaded him to the murder*."

While the architectural similarities to the Yeavering and Hatton Rock palaces suggest that an eighth century date may be correct, further investigations are needed; and the charming story of Offa will almost certainly remain just that.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 20

NOSTOS

(c) A poem of homecoming, such as that of Odysseus and the other survivors of the Trojan War, a separate genre of poetry, from the Greek *nostos*: "The several nostoi are a leitmotiv throughout the *Odyssey*, which is overall a nostos, being the return of Odysseus."

RUBIGINOUS

(b) Rust-coloured, rusty, ferruginous, from the Latin *rubigo rust*, connected with the family of words around *ruber* red, Greek *eruthros*: "The hue rubiginous of fast decline."

DJASKIT

(a) Broken down, dilapidated, generally discombobulated, apparently a Scots variant or mispronunciation of *dejected*: "Miss Beeny, not having been in bed all night, was in a most djaskit state."

BOTARGO

(c) A relish made of the roe of the mullet or tunny, from the *Arabic butarkhah* preserved mullet roe: Powys: "Drinking great draughts of claret, and eating botargo and bread and butter."

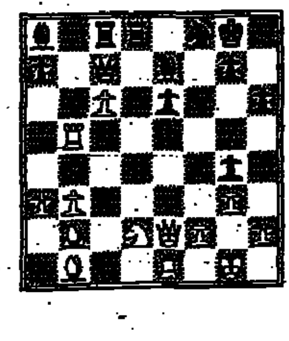
WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Hodgson — Thipsay, British Championship, Eastbourne 1991. Hodgson was helped on his way by his opponent in this game, who missed a chance to win material immediately here. Can you see what black should have played?

Send your answer on a postcard with your name and address to: The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London E1 9XN. The first three correct answers drawn on Thursday next week will win a Batsford chess book. The answer and the winners will be printed next Saturday.

Solution (August 17): 1 Rd8+. The winners are: B.R. Causer, Colchester; D. Clayton, Stoke-on-Trent; L. Hubbard, Sandbach.



For I the Lord love justice and *hate robbery and crime* and I shall grant my people a sure reward and make an everlasting covenant with them. Isaiah 61:8 REB

BIRTHS

CERNIUS - On August 21st, at The Portland Hospital, to Pola and Bill, a daughter, Ariana Christine.

FATHARLY - On August 21st, at St Anne's Hospital, Mount Lawley, Western Australia, to Helen (née Lever) and Simon, a daughter, Jessica Anne, a sister for Kate.

GERARD LEIGH - On August 13th, to Julie, wife of David Gerard Leigh, a son.

HARINGTON - On August 20th, to Susie, wife of Jonathan, a daughter.

JAMIESON - On August 19th, to Kate (née Bulgin) and Neil, a daughter, Sophie Catriona, a sister for Emily.

NICHOLSON - On August 23rd, at the Princess Mary Maternity Hospital, to Lavinia (née Stourton) and Frank, a son, Hugo, a brother for Simon.

PEARSE - On August 17th, at the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Malcolm and Amanda, a son, Rupert Carmichael.

POUNSFORD - On August 23rd, at Bristol Maternity Hospital, to Geraldine and John, a son Thomas William.

ROBERTS - On August 21st, to Jill (née Webster) and Hugh, a son, Oliver William Polmear.

STEPHENSON - On August 21st to Sarah and Philip, another lively daughter.

TYLER - On August 18th, to Tim and Jo, a daughter, Lucy Cecilia, a sister for C. F. A. D and P.

WILDSMITH - On August 23rd, to Stella (née Dyson) and Max, a son, Harry, a brother for Katie and Robert.

DEATHS

BENNETT - On August 22nd, Elizabeth. Mass at Our Lady Catholic Church, Norton St Philip, nr. Bath, Thursday August 29th at 2 pm, followed by committal, Mary Magdalene Church, Sparkford, Somerset at 5 pm.

COLLINS - On August 17th, peacefully in his sleep, John Edward Vernon (Teddy) of Mornington. Brother of the late Jim and the late Digby, uncle of Jeanne and Peter. Private cremation on August 28th. Enquiries to Michael Kesik, 15 Main Street, Mornington, 3931 Victoria, Australia.

DOLMAN - On August 20th, Kevin, beloved son of Nora Dolman, of Cape Town, South Africa. Cremation and service at St David's Chapel, South London Crematorium, Streatham, on Wednesday August 28th at 10 am. Donations, if desired, to The Samaritans.

DULAKE - On August 20th, peacefully at William Harvey Hospital, Maureen, beloved wife of Christopher, mother of Richard and Fiona. Funeral at Charing Crematorium on August 27th at 11am. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Paula Carr Trust for Diabetes c/o William Harvey Hospital, Ashford, Kent.

FEAR - On August 23rd, suddenly at home, Mary, treasured wife of Arthur and mother of Margaret. Enquiries to (081) 995-1561.

GOLDIE - On August 11th 1991, after a long spirited *fight against her illness*, peacefully at The Hammersmith Hospital. Fay was a special person, distinguished by her independence, wit and invariable good humour. Sorely missed by her husband, daughter, son, relatives, friends and colleagues. Donations if desired to The Fay Goldie Memorial Prize Fund - for nurses c/o Mrs W. Riley, The British Post-Graduate Medical Federation, 33 Millman Street, London WC1N 3EJ.

GRIFFIN - On August 21st, Phyllis Hilda (Phyl), wife of Edmund (Tony) and mother *of Roger, Timothy and* Nicholas and grandmother of eight. Private cremation followed by a Thanksgiving Service at St Matthew's Church, Harwell, on Wednesday August 28th at 3.30 pm. No mourning, no flowers but donations please to Friends of the Elderly, 42 Ebury Street, London SW1W 0LZ. Enquiries to R & H Barker, (0235) 810033.

JENKINS - On August 22nd, peacefully in hospital, Zoe, aged 70 years, dearest daughter of Mabel Stanton, dear friend of Margaret Firby. Funeral Service St Andrew's Church, Corbridge, Northumberland, Wednesday August 28th at 12 noon, followed by interment Corbridge Cemetery.

McLEAN - On August 21st, peacefully in his 85th year, George McIntyre McLean, beloved husband of the late June and much loved uncle. Funeral at The Park Crematorium, Aldershot, at 10.30 am on Tuesday August 27th. Family flowers only please but donations, if wished, to charity of own choice.

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MIROSEVIC-SORGO - On August 21st, peacefully at home, Ivan Poznan Niko Maria. Beloved husband of Marianne, father of Nicholas, Mara, Mark, Vladimir and Andrej, brother of Branko and Poznan. Funeral Service at 2 pm on August 29th at The Brompton Oratory, Brompton Road, burial in Dubrovnik on August 30th. All enquiries to Barnes and Sons (Undertakers) Ltd., (081) 743-4312.

MORGAN - On August 22nd 1991, after a long illness, John Llewellyn, late of Aldridge, formerly of Llandrindod Wells. No letters or flowers please. Donations, if desired, to St Giles Hospice, Whittington, Richfield.

SILKIN - On August 22nd, at home, Joseph Silkin, aged 88. Cremation on Tuesday August 27th at 3 pm at Streatham Crematorium.

SORGO - On August 21st, peacefully at home, Ivan Poznan Niko Maria. Beloved husband of Marianne, father of Nicholas, Mara, Mark, Vladimir and Andrej, brother of Branko and Poznan. Funeral Service at 2 pm on August 29th at The Brompton Oratory, Brompton Road, burial in Dubrovnik on August 30th. All enquiries to Barnes and Sons (Undertakers) Ltd., (081) 743-4312.

SPEARING - On August 21st 1991, Kenneth Arthur, in his 91st year. Dearly loved husband of Irene. Cremation private. No flowers please.

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TYNDALL - On August 21st, suddenly but peacefully at home, Penny (Rosalind Ellen). Dearly loved wife of *Bill, much loved mother of* John, Mary, Sarah and Judy, adored grandmother of Nicola, Simon, Charlotte, Annabel, Marcus, Toby, Lavinia, Rupert, Edward and Oliver. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving at St Mary's Church, Thakeham, on Friday August 30th at 3pm. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to Sussexdown R.A.F.A. Home, Storrington, W. Sussex.

WARD-JACKSON - On August 23rd, peacefully in London, Adrian Alexander Ward-Jackson C.B.E., aged 41 years, much loved *youngest son of William and* Elizabeth Ward-Jackson, brother of Nicholas and Simon, and uncle to Ralph. Funeral Service takes place on Thursday August 29th at the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley Street, London W1 at 11 am, followed by private cremation. Flowers to J.H. Kenyon Ltd., 83 Westbourne Grove, London W2 before 9.30 am on the day or, preferably, donations to the Lindo Wing c/o Mrs Nicholas Serota, 64 Camberwell Grove, London SE5 8RF. There will be a Memorial Service for Adrian to be held in London in mid October.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 27 of the Trustee Act 1925 that any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of Frederick Ellison of P O Box 610 Ngowe House, Malindi, Kenya, (Description) Retired who died on 8 June 1991, and whose Will dated 29 April 1988 appointed NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK PLC Financial and Investment Services Farnham Trustee Branch, Town Hall Buildings, Castle Street, Farnham, Surrey, GU9 7NE Executors are required to send particulars in writing of *their claims or interest* to the above Bank by the 31 October 1991 after which the Executors will distribute the Estate among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

TRUSTEE ACTS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to s27 of the TRUSTEE Act 1925 that any person having a CLAIM against or an INTEREST in the ESTATE of any of the deceased person's whose names, addresses and descriptions are set out below is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his claim or interest to the person or persons mentioned in relation to the deceased person concerned before the date specified, after which date the estate of the deceased will be distributed by the personal representatives among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice

DOREEN MULLOY 940 Borrough Road Birkenhead Wirral Died 12th November 1990 Particulars to Haworth & Gallagher Solicitors 9/11 Liscard Village Wallasey Wirral Merseyside L45 4JG Before 30th November 1991

Eva Pauline Berger of Flat 6 14 Ennismore Gardens, London SW7 died on 13th November 1989 Particulars to Lovell White Durrant (ref.FA/GEC/JLN) of 65 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1A 2DY Solicitors, before 25th October 1991 Executor: Charles Landry Pike

NOTICE IS GIVEN in accordance with the Trustee Act 1925, that the personal representatives of the following estates will distribute them after 31st October 1991 having regard only to those claims against or to the respective estates of which they then have notice and without liability to anyone whose claim or interest they do not know
CONWAY Barbara Anne of 10 Highpoint, North Hill London N6 died on 5th May 1991
COOK Harry Vincent of 47 Croham Road, West Croydon, Surrey died on 12th August 1991
KEEFE Denis John of 13c Goodmayes Lane, Goodmayes, Ilford Essex died on 12th January 1991
MAGNUS Norbert Nathan of Flat B, 39 Eaton Square London SW1 died on 2nd August 1991
TRANDER Robert James of Flat 5, 4 The Mansions Earls Court Road, London SW5 died on 31st September 1990
WEST Ronald Frank of 48 Parsons Mead Croydon, Surrey died on 16th May 1991

Notice must be given in writing by 31st October 1991 to the personal representatives at HARTWIG Solicitors and Public Notaries 4 Dingwall Road Croydon CR9 3RG

WELLS, ELIZABETH MAUD 54 Mary Abbots Hospital, Marloes Road, Kensington, London W8 5LQ. Died 24th March 1991. Particulars to PIPER SMITH & BASHAM, Solicitors 31 Warwick Square London SW1V 2AF before 19 November 1991

PUBLIC NOTICES

GEORGE THOMAS DECEASED
Pursuant to Trustee Act 1925

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to s27 of the Trustee Act 1925 that any person having a claim against or an interest in the estate of George Thomas deceased late of 28 Blakefield Road St Johns Worcester who died on the 9th December 1990 is hereby requested to send particulars in writing of his or her claim or interest to Messrs Rowberry Morris whose address is Morroway House Station Road Gloucester GL1 1DW Ref VA and to send such particulars not later than 29th October 1991 after which date the Administrators will distribute the estate among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interest of which they have had notice and will not as respects the property so distributed, be liable to pay any persons of whose claim they shall not then have had notice
Dated this 20th day of August 1991
Rowberry Morris
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Solicitors for the Administrators

SHELTON: Margaret Ivy Shelton, *Spinster Late of* 35 Waltham Road, Bournemouth, Dorset Died there on 13th February 1988 (estate about £55,000)

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AUGUST 24 ON THIS DAY 1903

The proposed Jewish settlement of 6,000 square miles in Uganda was examined by a Zionist commission but was rejected by the Congress of 1904.

THE ZIONIST CONGRESS

Basel - The sixth Zionist Congress opened here to-day, under the presidency of Dr Herzl, assisted by Dr Max Nordau, Sir Francis Montefiore, Mr Israel Zangwill, and others. During the proceedings it was announced that upwards of 500 delegates from all parts of the earth, including the United States, Canada, and Siberia, were taking part in the Congress. Several preliminary meetings have already been held by the various Zionist Committees.

Speaking of the negotiations with the Sultan with regard to the establishment of the Jews on the Sinai Peninsula, Dr Herzl declared that the project had to be abandoned. A short time ago, however, the British Government had placed a portion of British East Africa at the disposal of the Congress for the purpose of carrying out a scheme of Jewish colonization. This territory, while administered by Jews, would be under British suzerainty.

After announcing that he submitted this proposal to the Congress with the formal consent of the British Government, Dr Herzl went on to speak of the deep sympathy towards the Zionist movement displayed by the Emperor William, the Sultan, and the Russian Minister of the Interior.

The last decade of the nineteenth century and the early years of the 1900s saw the struggle of Macedonia to free itself of Turkish sovereignty.

THE MACEDONIAN RISING

Sofia - The seaport of Vasiliko, on the Black Sea coast about 50 kilometres south of Burgas, was attacked by a strong revolutionary band, which captured the town and blew up the principal Government buildings with dynamite. The captain of the port, the chief of the *gendarmerie*, and two other officials were carried away, and, it is stated, at their own request, conducted to the Bulgarian frontier and handed over to the frontier guards, who took them to Burgas, where they were immediately set at liberty by the authorities.

Whether the revolutionaries were encouraged to undertake this bold enterprise by the presence of the Russian fleet in the neighbourhood it is impossible to say. The town usually possesses a considerable garrison, which may have been weakened owing to the drafting of troops to Macedonia. The attack seems to indicate that the revolt in the Adrianople vilayet, which hitherto has been delayed by order of the insurgent chiefs, has now begun.

Owing to the open nature of the country, the mixed character of the population, and the strength of the Turkish troops concentrated in Adrianople, it was not deemed advisable to attempt a rising. The Bulgarian population, however, is exasperated by the ill-treatment received during the past three months, as described by the Special Correspondent of *The Times*, and has now apparently broken loose.

According to reports published this evening the town of Vasiliko was burnt as well as the neighbouring village of Poturnak. The revolt in the vilayet of Adrianople began on the night of the 19th, the eve of the festival of the Transfiguration. The telegraph wires in the districts of Lozen, Bunarhissar and Malo Tirnovo were cut. Several Turkish villages and military posts were attacked and the harvest in many places was destroyed. The Turkish force encamped on the heights of Sveti Ilia, in the district of Malo Tirnovo, was attacked during the night, overpowered, and annihilated. Yeni Ada, Sazara, and other villages are burning. A detachment of Turkish regulars is stated to have been attacked near Adrianople and disarmed.

Farmer's diary: Paul Heiney

Knotty problem, close sheave

DID you hear the cries of despair that drifted across our farm for most of last week? Perhaps you were unlucky enough to be passing by when disappointment turned to anger, and language foul enough to make a black pig blush was cutting through the clean summer air.

We are still in the middle of harvesting, and if you read my report last week you will know that we are trying to harvest our corn with a binder which has not seen the light of day for 40 years. Before its retirement, the machine had clocked up hundreds of hours of experience. I have none.

As you may remember, our principal preoccupation was the device which wraps the string around the sheaves and ties a knot in it. I summoned a think-tank of local farmers and asked for advice. One suggested an emery cloth to get the rust off it, another spun a nut a quarter of a turn, yet another thought the problem might be with the string. I went off to read a book.

The book did not help. The paragraph began: "In tying a knot, the knotter bills, which are driven by the cam gear, make one revolution, winding two strands of twine around them while the ends are held fast in the retainer. As the sheaf is ejected, the loop around the knotter bills is stripped off over the two ends grasped between the bills . . ." And that was the simple bit. Baffled, I went back to the field, where I was met by smiling faces. There was progress.

As the machine trundled forward, sheaves of corn appeared. I thanked my friends by stuffing a couple of pork chops into their hands, and made plans for my harvest. I decided that having only two cart-horses and a binder requiring three, I would pull it with my ancient little Fordson tractor. This turned out to be a wise decision. Robert, the young freelance farmhand, however, may have made a worse one. He offered to drive the tractor, having been seduced by a romantic photograph in his father's study, showing merry Victorian farmhands slicing their binder through golden corn.

Off we went. We made two glorious sheaves and then there was a sickening crack. The main drive chain had disintegrated into a hundred pieces. We patiently jigsawed it back together and tried again. Then it jammed. Time was ticking by, the sun was getting hotter. Tempers grew shorter.

Then the canvas ripped. Without the canvas belt, the corn cannot move through the machine. We leapt into a car and drove five miles to throw ourselves at the feet of a man who might repair it. We were back on the field within the hour. Off we went. Ten yards and the chain shattered: we fixed it. The new canvas slipped: we tightened it. Cogs worked loose and we meshed them back together. And then all seemed to go well. We did almost the full width of the field — and then the knotter jammed. We unjammed it and completed a further ten yards — until the chain snapped again.

Then my temper broke. I beat the binder with the biggest stick I could drag from the hedge. I cursed it with sufficient venom to make its rust drop off and its grease curdle. I decided to give it one more try, and if that failed I would hire a man with a combine, and within the day this misery would be over.

We pieced the chain together, tensioned the string, revved the tractor. And it worked. The disparate mechanisms sang to the same tune and sheaf after sheaf cascaded like a bubbling mountain stream onto the land. Rejoicing, we broke for tea. When we got back, the chain broke. Then the knotter jammed again.

Eventually we did it, and it has been the longest week of my life. I might as well have been cutting the Wembley turf with a pair of nail scissors. The only smiles to be seen are on the faces of our cart-horses. They know what they have been fortunate enough to miss.

From street parades to seaside

London spectacle: tomorrow's Notting Hill carnival will feature costumed parades and non-stop music

FESTIVAL FUN

LONDON

☐ **Notting Hill carnival:** The most colourful street carnival in Britain, with costumed parades, non-stop music, "live" stages and dance.
Notting Hill and Ladbroke Grove, W11. Tomorrow, Mon, 11am-7pm. Free.

☐ **Fairs:** Alexandra Park, Wood Green, N22; today, tomorrow, 2-10pm, Mon noon-10pm, Tues noon-6pm. Ealing Common, W6; today-Tues 2-11pm. Finsbury Park, N4; today, tomorrow, Mon noon-8pm. Hampstead Heath, NW3; today, Mon 11am-10pm, tomorrow 2-7pm.

ARDINGLY

☐ **Elizabethan country fayre:** More than 150 craftsmen and women exhibit. Also bowmen, minstrels, jugglers, combat knights, children's entertainments and spit roast.
Wakehurst Place, Ardingly, Haywards Heath, Sussex. Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6pm. £3, children £1.

CRICH

☐ **Transport summer gathering:** Two hundred vintage vehicles, ten trams in service, children's steam and donkey rides, Punch and Judy, street entertainers and jazz.
National Tramway museum, Crich, near Matlock, Derbyshire (0773 852565). Tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6.30pm. £3.40, children 5-15 £1.90, under-fives free.

DUDLEY

☐ **IWA Black Country waterways festival:** The largest inland waterways festival in the world. Hundreds of canal boats, free try-a-boat trips, craft fair, canal theatre, folk music and dance.
Windmill End, Dudley Canal, off the B4171, Dudley Road, West Midlands. Today, tomorrow, 10am-6pm. Mon, 10am-5pm. Free. Information (0384 257722).

DYMCHURCH

☐ **Day of Syn:** Festival and pageant recreating the life and times of the fictional Dr Syn and his smugglers. Procession from the town to the recreation ground. Fête 1.30pm.
Dymchurch, Kent. Mon, from 10am. Pageant behind the Ship Inn.

HAVENSTREET

☐ **Island steam extravaganza:** Steam and other vintage vehicles, sideshows and crafts. Arena events in the afternoon and steam train rides throughout the day.
Isle of Wight Steam Railway, Havenstreet (0983 882204). Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6pm. Entry plus train ride £5, children £3. Show only £3, children £2.

KNUTSFORD

☐ **Tatton craft fair:** More than 100 craftsmen and women exhibit and demonstrate crafts. Children's fairground, morris dancers, bands and barbecue.
Tatton Park, Knutsford, Cheshire. Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6pm. £2.60, children £1. Car park £1.

LEEDS

☐ **Summer spectacular:** Military displays, stunt-men, an escapologist, motorcycle display teams, entertainers, marching bands, falconry and Wild West show.
Temple Newsam, Leeds, West Yorks. Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-5.30pm. £2, children £1.

MIDDLEWICH

☐ **Carnival:** Three-day event with the carnival procession today from 1pm. Fireworks display, barbecue and live music this evening. Tomorrow, a fun run and five-a-side football. Monday morning cycle race, afternoon children's sports.
Middlewich, Cheshire. All events in Market Fields, except cycle race in town centre. Today, tomorrow, Mon. 50p, children free.

NOTTINGHAM

☐ **Medieval market:** Costumed traders, street entertainers, minstrels, dancers, a grand parade and medieval re-enactment groups.
Market Square, Nottingham. Mon, 10.30am-5pm.

NORTHALLERTON

☐ **Charity carnival:** Stalls, clasic cars, jazz, aerobics, martial arts, gymnastics, police dog displays and children's entertainers.
Applegarth Park, Northallerton, North Yorks. Mon, 1-4.30pm. Free.

SAFFRON WALDEN

☐ **Night on Broadway:** Open air concert with music from some of the great American show classics including *West Side Story, Porgy and Bess, Kiss Me Kate, My Fair Lady* and *The King and I*. Fireworks and laser finale. Take picnic, chair and rug.
Audley End, Saffron Walden, Essex. Tomorrow. Grounds open 4pm. Concert 7.30pm. Tickets £8 in advance, £9 on the night. Credit card hotline (071-379 4444).

STAFFORD

☐ **Shugborough craft festival:** Demonstrations and stalls plus archery displays, Punch and Judy, a puppet band and other entertainments.
Shugborough, Staffs. Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6pm. £2, children £1. Information (0889 881388).

SUNDERLAND

☐ **Waterfront festival:** Community arts pageant with visual art exhibitions, children's entertainment, jazz, rhythm and blues, country and western music.
Cliffe Park, Seaburn, Tyne and Wear. Tomorrow, Mon, 11am-7pm.

TELFORD

☐ **Victorian festival:** Working exhibits, shops, cottages, staffed by period costumed demonstrators. Also donkey rides along the canal, coconut shies and sideshows, Punch and Judy and unicyclists.
Blists Hill open-air museum, Madeley, Telford, Shropshire (0952 433 522). Mon, 10am-5pm. £5.10, children £3.40.

WADEBRIDGE

☐ **Cornwall folk festival:** Music and dance plus workshops, including fiddle and Cornish dancing.
Town Hall, Wadebridge. Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am to late evening. Day ticket £9.

COUNTRY WAYS

BROMYARD

☐ **Farm open day:** Watch animals feeding and learn how to milk a cow.
Shortwood Farm, Pencombe, Hereford and Worcester (0885 400205). Mon, 11am-4pm. £2, children £1.25.

BURLEY

☐ **Country fair:** Sheepdog and duck rodeo, bands, clowns, vintage vehicles, Pony Club games.
Old Holmsley airfield, Ringwood, Hants. Tomorrow from 11am. £3, children £1.

BURSCOUGH

☐ **Tarantula day:** Only for the bravest arachnophobic. About 30 live tarantulas, with owners talking about their merits as pets, and an exhibition about their needs and habitats. Also many birds, including swans, cygnets, ducks and geese.
Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, Martin Mere, nr Burscough, Lancs (0704 895181). Tomorrow, 10.30am-5pm. £3.10, children £1.60.

CORBRIDGE

☐ **Roman fort:** Armour, weaponry and battle demonstrations.
Corbridge Roman site, half-a-mile northwest of Corbridge. Hadrian's Wall, Northants. Mon, noon, 2pm and 4pm. £3, children £1. Further information: 0434 681379.

EGHAM

☐ **Royal Show:** Agricultural and horticultural exhibits, arena events, traction engine show, vintage cars and funfair.
Runnymede, M25 junction 13. Egham, Surrey. Today, tomorrow, 9am-6pm. £4, children £2.50.

LEE VALLEY

☐ **Countryside open day:** Boat trips and natural history guided walks, plus an opportunity to take part in parachute games. Take a picnic.
Meet at Dobbs Weir car park, Dobbs Weir Road, Lee Valley, Essex. Mon, 2-6pm. Further information: Countryside Centre, Crooked Mile, Waltham Abbey (0992 713838).

PERSHORE

☐ **Throckmorton rustic revels:** Outdoor social, starting at 2pm on the moated island. Silver band, children's circus, Punch and Judy and balloon race. In the church, stalls, music, wild flowers.
Throckmorton, nr Pershore, Hereford and Worcester. Today 2pm until dusk. 10p.

STOKESLEY

☐ **Seamer show:** Horse and pony classes, showjumping, dog agility display, ferret roulette, miniature steam railway, and stalls.
Seamer, nr Stokesley, North Yorks. Tomorrow from 9.30am. 50p, children 25p.

WOLVERHAMPTON

☐ **Civil War spectacular:** Battle re-enactment commemorating the 340th anniversary of the Battle of Worcester.
Boscobel House, eight miles northwest of Wolverhampton, Shropshire. Tomorrow, Mon from 3pm. £3, children £2.

The Times Prize Jumbo Crossword

Test your word power in our bank holiday competition

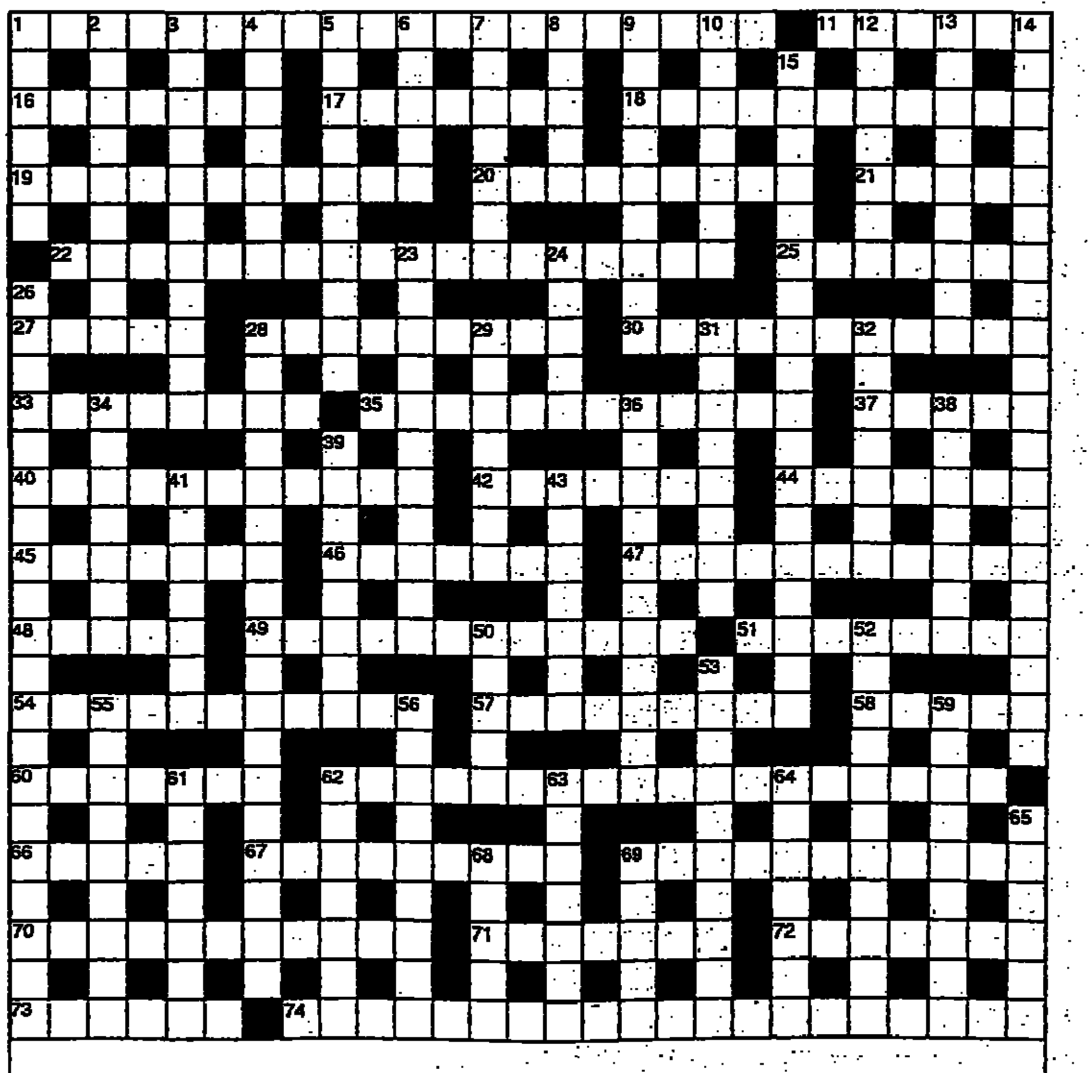
Prizes of £50 will be given for the first five correct solutions opened on Monday September 9. Entries should be sent to Jumbo Crossword, The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London E1 9XN. The winners and solution will be published on September 14.

ACROSS

1 Play Ireland once (4,5,5,6).
11 Plant needing three different amounts of acid (6).
16 Ferdinand's playing partner takes motorway to golf club (7).
17 Friendly request for appraisal? (7).
18 Label it fish, say, somewhere like Billingsgate (6-5).
19 Concluded English cardinal is using too many staff (11).
20 Undernourished? Sounds like you had elevenses early! (9).
21 Relative gain made by union negotiator (2-3).
22 Dramatically linked abductor, we hear, with needlewoman (6,3,9).
25 It might fly — starts off in tipsy fashion (7).
27 Like a joker, say, or humorist (5).
28 Carried on rebuilding the plant (9).
30 Girl and boy don't allow business in 13 (11).
33 Returns assistance — wasn't willing to accept (8).
35 Noble endlessly repeated action bringing destruction (12).
37 Seas are concealed by 'aze, we hear, in African port (5).
40 Formerly, one German in control sent back wine (11).
42 Standards no longer observed among infantry officers (7).
44 Hiding-place in overturned piece of sculpture (7).
45 Fail to get rent reduced (3,4).
46 Learner needs help when driving round waterfall (7).
47 Drove badly out of neat exit from garage? (11).
48 It's possibly found in place by a missionary returning (5).
49 Oddly shaped crystals — given push, some drop off (12).
51 Doctor isolated swelling in organ (8).
54 Nurse makes one almost sound as bell, 'ealthy (11).
57 Accountant with lots of money singing cheerfully (9).
58 Fleet Street has to accept direction provided (5).
60 Sound chaps making parts for wheels (7).
62 Book just Sheila? (3,4,4,2,5).
66 Partner no longer has to pretend to be faithful (5).
67 Nobles take most of the brandy and wine (9).
69 Alloy in which cobalt's ne'er mixed? (6,5).
70 Getting ahead of opponent in trip round head (11).
71 Runs I later contrived in second test? (7).
72 Inexperienced driver failing to get round bend (7).
73 Unqualified person (6).
74 Novel title for one I-lad, truly! (6,4,10).

DOWN

1 You're on one of these aircraft now (6).
2 Plant that grows behind bay (5-4).
3 Conductors remove us from bus, as well as staff (11).
4 Old king and new queen one studies (7).
5 What a writer may be said to need, still (10).
6 Obsession within government section (5).
7 Eagerly accept attempt to pervert the course of justice (7).
8 That is badly sited (2,3).
9 Covers with sheets put over rigid brute (9).
10 Spiritual release for Zola's girl, embracing one form of bible (7).
12 Selecting for test an explosive device — bullet's sound (7).
13 One who pretends to clean part of Africa up (9).
14 Innovative approach to scores in play (1,3,3,2,3,3,5).
15 Flat section of church where steps should be safe (10,8)
23 Making up bed with charm, am I? Possibly (11).
24 Money paid for contract (5).
26 Montague and Capulet, for example, in Shakespeare's play (3,9,2,6).
28 Russian tale Japanese emperor intended to relate (5,3,10).
29 Place to see movies shot at home (5-2).
31 Re-enlist after disturbance in part of Ireland (8).
32 Invention facilitating digital read-out (7).
34 One gets plenty wrong, acting like this (7).
36 Aha! Polling I organised reveals positive attitude to us (11).
38 Toast one *was going to pronounce*? (7)
39 Articles written about motorway as object of detestation (8).
41 Proceeding with minimum rate, or second smallest (7).
43 We're captured by senior trooper, for example (7).
50 It's darker than tawny port (5).
52 Like a thriller son writes in advantageous surroundings (11).
53 Heroine, ignoring origins, crashed ball, wed prince (10).
55 What keeps spirits up about everything? Courage (9).
56 Look at liberal economist's annual (9).
59 Taking part in sprint here, a runner gets behind (2,3,4).
61 In our first prime, and new? Just the opposite (7).
62 Ends concealed by one minister after another (7).
63 Dish cooks stir too thoroughly (7).
64 Dotty fondled, resulting in fatal engagement for James (7).
65 Absolutely dull — lady takes no notice (6).
68 Tend edge of lawn (5).
69 Given a row round lake, a little one (5).



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SOLUTION TO NO 2568 (yesterday's Concise crossword)

ACROSS: 1 Safety 4 Sprang 9 Tornado 10 Quota 11 Bait 12 Abrasive 14 Convalescence 16 Puncture 18 Owes 20 David 21 Shimmer 23 Larynx 24 Rennet

DOWN: 1 Set 2 Foreign 3 Toad 5 Piquancy 6 Aioli 7 Graceless 8 Double cross 11 Back pedal 13 Waited on 15 Newsman 17 Never 19 File 22 Rat

Concise Jumbo

There are no prizes for this crossword. The solution will appear on Bank Holiday Monday

ACROSS

1 Korea demarcation line (6,6,8)
11 Small cave (6)
16 Principal direction (4,3)
17 In respect of (7)
18 Priced at 50 per cent (7,4)
19 Oratorical agitation (11)
20 Forceful, energetic (9)
21 Classic language (5)
22 Trucial States (6,4,8)
25 Plane team (7)
27 Invest (5)
28 Ruthlessly competitive (3,3,3)
30 Repeated demand (7,4)
33 Slackens (5,3)
35 World War One biplane (7,5)
37 Jargon (5)
40 Straitlaced (11)
42 Nobly adorned (7)
44 Trade prohibition (7)
45 Permit (7)
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Travelling back in time: the Museum of the Moving Image's *Doctor Who* exhibition in London features many of the show's sets and monsters

CHILD'S PLAY

LONDON

☐ **Covent Garden children's festival:** Three days of entertainment with clowns, magicians, face painters, and workshops. Funfair in the East Piazza.
The Piazza, Covent Garden, WC2. Today-Mon, noon-5pm; funfair 11am-10.30pm.

☐ **Doctor Who exhibition.** Television film sets, monsters and special effects created for the popular sci-fi series.
Museum of the Moving Image, South Bank, SE1 (071-928 3535). Daily, 10am-6pm, last admission 5pm. £4.96, children £3.50.

☐ **In the air:** Demonstrations and displays by members of aero-modelling clubs. Balloon flights.
RAF museum, Hendon, NW9 (081-205 2266). Today, tomorrow, 10am-6pm. £4.10, children £2.05.

BARTON-UPON-HUMBER

☐ **Charity fun day:** Games, competitions and other entertainments.
Humber Bridge viewing area, South Humberside. Mon, 2-5pm. Free. Information (0652 33283).

BARTON-UPON-STATHER

☐ **Teddy bears' picnic:** For the very young. Treasure hunt, competitions, models and food. Take your own honey sandwiches and bear.
Barton-upon-Stather picnic site, near Scunthorpe. Information (0652 33283).

CROYDON

☐ **The Jungle Book:** Stage production of Kipling's classic with rod and glove puppets and giant masks replacing actors.
Ashcroft Theatre, Fairfield Halls, Croydon (081-688 9291). Tues-Sat, 2pm; matinée Sat 10.30am. £4.50, children £3.50.

GLASTONBURY

☐ **Festive capers:** Ideal for five to 11-year-olds, the festival includes 20 performances every day, from children's theatre groups to puppet and magic shows. Also 20 workshops, a Victorian fairground and inflatables.
Abbey Park playground, Glastonbury, Somerset. Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10.30am-5pm. Adults and under-fives £2.50, other children £3. Information (0458 32925).

HODDESDON

☐ **Puppets:** Workshops for five to nine-year-olds — make your own and try your hand at shadow theatre.
Lowewood museum, High Street, Hoddesdon, Herts. Mon, 10.30-11.30am and 2.30-3.30pm. £1.20 per session. Book in advance (0992 445596).

LOSTWITHIEL

☐ **A Pig in a Poke:** Light hearted interpretation of the life and times of Henry VIII, for families.
Restormel castle, nr Lostwithiel, Cornwall (020887 2687). Tomorrow and Mon. Castle opens 10am, entertainment from 3pm. £2, children £1.

LUTON

☐ **Fun day:** Pony and trap, steam engine and tractor trailer rides, Punch and Judy, a sweet scramble and barbecue. Also 110 breeds of birds and animals.
Woodside Farm and Wild Fowl Park, Slip End, Luton, Beds (0582 841044). Mon, 8.30am-6pm. £1, children 80p.

PADDOCK WOOD

☐ **Beltring fair:** Annual pitchfork championships, the *Motormouth* team from TVS, a tug-of-war, Punch and Judy, and pets' corner.
Whitbread hop farm, Beltring, Paddock Wood, Kent (0622 872068). Tomorrow and Mon, 10am-5pm. £4, children £2.

STYAL

☐ **Holiday workshops:** For children aged seven to 13 years. Tues: textiles into toys; Wed: fabrics, flags and banners; Thurs: making mobiles.
Quarry Bank mill, Styal, Wilmslow, Cheshire. Tues-Thurs, 10.30am-3.30pm. £7 per child. Booking essential on 0625 527468.

WOKINGHAM

☐ **Finding out:** Week of events exploring the history of the country park. Treasure hunt on Monday from 2pm, and a teddy bears' picnic on Wednesday from noon.
California country park, Finchampstead, Wokingham, Berks (0734 730028). Treasure hunt £1.50, teddy bears' picnic £1.75.

Of memories and monsters

EXHIBITIONS

LONDON

☐ **Museum of London:** Three exhibitions: "Treasures and Trinkets", jewellery in London from pre-Roman times; "Images of the London Blitz"; and "The Simms Car", the life and work of Frederick Simms (1863-1944).
Museum of London, London Wall, EC2 (071-600 3699). Today, Mon 10am-6pm. Tomorrow, 2-6pm. Free.

☐ **Transport museum:** Free fun quiz for young people (until September 1). "Tube Centenary" exhibition, with many working models and simulators, plus actor/guides. This weekend only, two working model tram layouts.
London Transport museum, Covent Garden, WC2 (071-379 0341). Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6pm. £3, children £1.50.

GLASTONBURY

☐ **Rural life:** "Stitch Happy" exhibition of embroidery, plus demonstrations of threshing, thatching, woodturning, besom broom making, and railway ticket printing.
Somerset Rural Life museum, Abbey Farm, Chilkwell Street, Glastonbury, Somerset (0458 31197). Tomorrow, Mon, 2-6pm. £1.20, children 30p.

LIVERPOOL

☐ **Paintings by women artists 1850 to 1940:** Exhibition of paintings by, among others, Vanessa Bell, Gwen John, Natalie Gontcharova and Dame Ethel Walker. Many of the paintings, selected by Maud Sulter, the third Momart Fellow, have not been shown for years.
Tate Gallery, Albert Dock, Liverpool (051-709 3223). Today, tomorrow, 11am-5pm.

NEWTONGRANGE

☐ **Pit pony days:** Tour the Victorian mining museum and take rides on the "retired" pit ponies.
Lady Victoria colliery, Newtongrange, Midlothian. Today, noon-3pm. Check that ponies are available (031-663 7519).

SHOREHAM

☐ **Aviation show:** Centenary celebration of the birth of the pioneer aviator Cecil Pashley, with detailed displays. Among the exhibits are two large-scale models of historic aircraft from the Science Museum — the Lee-Richards monoplane and a Blériot.
Marlipins museum, High Street, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex (0273 462994). Today, 10am-1pm, 2-4.30pm. Tomorrow, 2-4.30pm. Free.

TARPORLEY

☐ **Robin Hood:** Special film effects, displays and location sets used for the 20th Century Fox production. Tour the castle and, tomorrow and Monday, see demonstrations of archery, dance and drama by Cheshire schools.
Peckforton castle, Tarporley, Cheshire (0829 260930). Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6pm. £2.50, children £1.50.

UXBRIDGE

☐ **Light-fingered gold:** The only British showing of holograms from the Ukraine — a dazzling array of objects reflecting the turbulent history of the area, from a mammoth's tusk to a richly gilded chalice from the Orthodox Russian Church. Worksheets for children.
The Nave, St Margaret's, Winter Street, Uxbridge, West London (0895 812193). Today, Mon, 10am-5pm. Free.

YORK

☐ **Monsters of the deep:** Illustrated displays of life in the oceans, with live exhibits, life-size models, videos, sound effects and special lighting.
Yorkshire museum, York (0704 629745). Today, Mon, 10am-6.30pm. Tomorrow, 10am-5pm. £1, under-fives free.

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SHORE THINGS

BATTLE

☐ **Up in arms:** Skills-at-arms, armour, equipment and tactics as used by Duke William's army at the Battle of Hastings.
Battle abbey, East Sussex (04246 3792). Today, tomorrow, Mon, 2pm and 4pm. £3, children £1.

BEMPTON CLIFFS

☐ **Bird day:** Open day with bird identification, gannet count and gannet games, wildlife walks and "hands on" boxes.
One mile from Bempton, on the B1229 Flamborough to Filey road, East Yorks. Tomorrow, 10am-4pm. Free.
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CHATHAM

☐ **Steaming:** Traction engines, steam cranes, vintage vehicles and the world's oldest working coal-fired paddle steamer.
The Historic Dockyard, Chatham, Kent (0634 812551). Tomorrow, Mon, 10am-6pm. £4.50, children £2.50.

DOVER

☐ **Cars and combat:** Tomorrow, Rolls-Royce Enthusiasts Club meeting, with parade followed by the convoy to Walmer castle. Monday, medieval combat.
Dover castle, Dover, Kent (0304 201628). Tomorrow from 11am, Monday noon and 2.30pm. £3, children £1.50.

EASTBOURNE

☐ **Coast watch:** Today, lifeboat, coastguard and ambulance displays; tomorrow, air-sea rescue plus a nursing demonstration and silver band. Police and ambulance helicopters both days.
Western Lawns, Eastbourne. Today from 11.15am, tomorrow from noon. Free.

FALMOUTH

☐ **George III's army:** Depiction of the British infantry and artillery at the time of the American revolution, including an encampment and tactical demonstrations.
Pendennis castle, near Falmouth, Cornwall. Today, tomorrow, Mon, from 11am. £2, children £1.50. Information (0326 316594).

MORECAMBE

☐ **Round the bay:** Music, arts and dance along the seafront, with performers from more than 20 countries. Workshops, big top and processions.
Morecambe Bay, Lancs. Today, noon-2pm. Tomorrow, noon-11pm. Mon, noon-9pm. Tickets: today £15, tomorrow £12, Mon £10, available from Empire theatre. Box office (0524 582667).

PEVENSEY

☐ **Medieval day:** Entertainment includes music by the duo Hautbois, plus dancing and safe archery for the children.
Pevensey castle, Pevensey, East Sussex (0323 762604). Today, tomorrow, Mon, from 2pm. £2, children £1.50.

PLYMOUTH

☐ **Navy days:** Annual traditional event with ships open to the public, plus field, river and air displays, static exhibitions, trade stands and a funfair.
HM Naval Base, Plymouth, Devon (0752 555914). Today, tomorrow, Mon, 9.30am-6pm. £4, children £1.50.

SEAHOUSES

☐ **Charity fête:** A harbour fund-raising event for the RNLI, with helicopter and boat trips, stalls, sideshows and lots of other entertainments.
The pier, Seahouses, Northumberland. Mon, from 2pm.

WHITBY

☐ **Lifeboat day:** Annual event featuring inshore and offshore rescue, helicopter displays, sea trips, games, stalls and entertainments.
The harbourside, Whitby, North Yorks. Today, noon onwards.

Feather report

Champions of the sea

BIRDS have a thousand different ways of enthralling you: but it is with flight that they truly lift the heart. To watch one of the great masters of flight seems to lift you above the common run of things: for a moment, even to free you from earthbound existence.

Yet it is a privilege available to all. For example, the payment of £6 (£3 for children) today is enough to buy you one of the greatest sights a human could hope to see. This paltry sum is the cost of an RSPB boat ride from Bridlington on Humberside.

The trip gives you the chance to see the birds of the open ocean. Not the birds of the seaside, the gulls and the waders that hang about on the margins. The true pelagic birds are a different proposition. They are birds you must make an effort to see. Birds of the open ocean tend not to drop on to your bird table for a light snack. But it is here, among the challenges of the untrammelled seas, that you meet some of the great champions of the air.

There are shearwaters, masters of the glide, that clip the waves effortlessly on long, pointed wings. There are petrels, scraps of nothing that seem totally unsuited to life on the raging deep, but handle conditions like a blade of grass that bends before the storm.

But when we seek the most awe-inspiring perfection in any habitat, we must turn to the predators. On the great plains of Africa no one can fail to marvel at the lions. In the woods of England, you delight in the crash and plunge of a sparrowhawk. And on the seas off the coast of Britain, you are struck dumb by the dashing brilliance of the Arctic skua.

This makes sense. A predator must evolve superior skills to the prey species: either that, or become extinct. Evolution tends to involve predator and prey in a kind of arms race: of greater speed, greater manoeuvrability, greater speed of thought.

The skuas are not predators in the strict sense. They have evolved a way of making their living by piracy. They are faster, stronger and more manoeuvrable than the birds they pursue, but most are not after the birds. They want their fish. Much of thr skua's life is spent in headlong pursuit of gulls, terns and auks.

Once a skua is locked on to his target, his success rate is phenomenally high. The skua has a stunning ability to switch into super-power: almost in a single flap of the wings, its speed will double and it will overhaul the chosen bird. No matter how much the prey twists and plummets, it cannot get away. The only way to stop the pursuit is to give up the hard-won fish. The skua will drop a wing, slide down the airway and snap up its meal before it hits the sea.

Aggression is part of the skuas' way of life. They will defend their nesting colonies with wild, plunging assaults on the intruder, be it a fox or human. And among themselves, they go into spectacular aerial trials of strength.

One bird will attack another on the ground. Often, the attacked bird will peform a stunning manoeuvre, leaping up and inverting in the air, to strike upwards at the attacker with its feet. This will often instigate a long series of attacks, chases and evasions.

A further delight in the sighting of predators is that they are, more or less by definition, much rarer than their prey species. This is as true of pirates as it is of direct predators. They come as a dark shadow, with a streamlined shape and delicate tail streamers as a kind of trade-mark.

The skuas have taken up a strange ecological niche, one that cannot be exploited without spectacular skills. One marvels at their dash and ferocity: for it is an expression of evolution's inventiveness.

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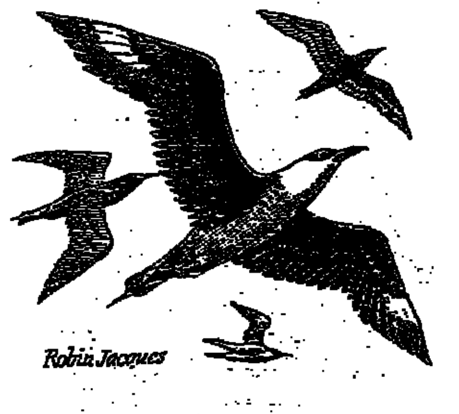

The Arctic skua: making a living from piracy

- *RSPB trip departs Bridlington north pier at 4pm today. £6, children £3. Also Sept 1, 9.30am, and Sept 28, 9am.*
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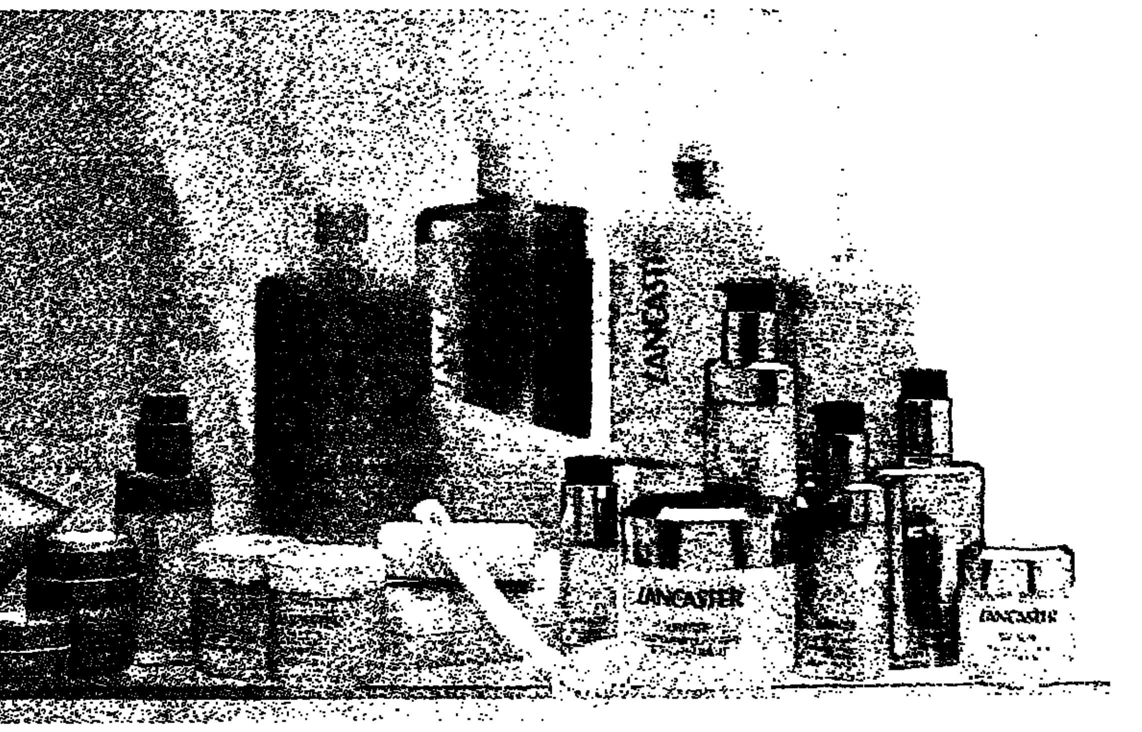

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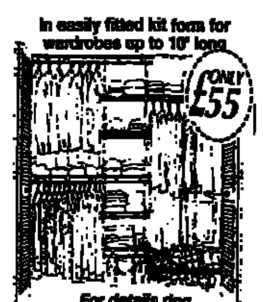

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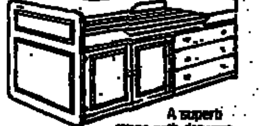

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In praise of the country values

Dealers and decorators are heading north to seek bargains outside the traditional London markets. Huon Mallalieu reports

Among antique dealers, "*interior* decorators' taste" has long been a thoroughly dismissive phrase. Flashy, gilt to the hilt, polished off and restored to death, might be near neighbours in a thesaurus of trade terms, and overpriced would not be far away.

This is not to say that dealers do not welcome decorators and designers, whatever they may wish to buy, and in any case many individuals and firms have always been both dealers and decorators. Christopher Gibbs is an example on the one side and, on the other, Colefax & Fowler has its own antiques department. The distinction may be merely a matter of numbers: an agent buying one piece on commission is a dealer, but when commissioned to furnish a complete house he or she becomes, in effect, a decorator.

The traditional idea of the top decorator leading millionaires by the arm down Bond Street to Partridge, Asprey's or Mallett's, and then over to Jeremy in the King's Road, is accurate, as far as it goes, but naturally most decorators also have their favourite sources at less elevated levels of the trade. Most, being London based, do not move far from town, and when questioned they become vague. Nick Herbert, of Herbert Neville, mentions "places in Surrey and Hampshire", and when pressed admits to buying from Harvey Ferrey and William Clegg in Nettlebed, Oxfordshire. Colefax says that while Geoffrey Harrison, of the antiques department, certainly scours the country, on the decorating side "we don't have the time to look outside London".

This may be changing. Recently a number of antique dealers in Yorkshire and the North of England have been enjoying profitable visits by decorators from outside the area. At a time when the trade in the South-East cannot decide just how seriously the recession is affecting it, in the North there is some confidence, and the business to back it up. However, since the preceeding boom did not push prices up as much as elsewhere, the North is still a very reasonable area for buyers. Mr Herbert visits a "junk place near Ripon", while Sylvia Lawson Johnson, who is in business at Aberdeen but prefers to buy in London, says she has also bought in Harrogate — "and wherever I happen to be for the weekend".

Traditional buy: William and Mary oyster and laburnum marquetry chest. People are looking beyond this sort of safe good taste

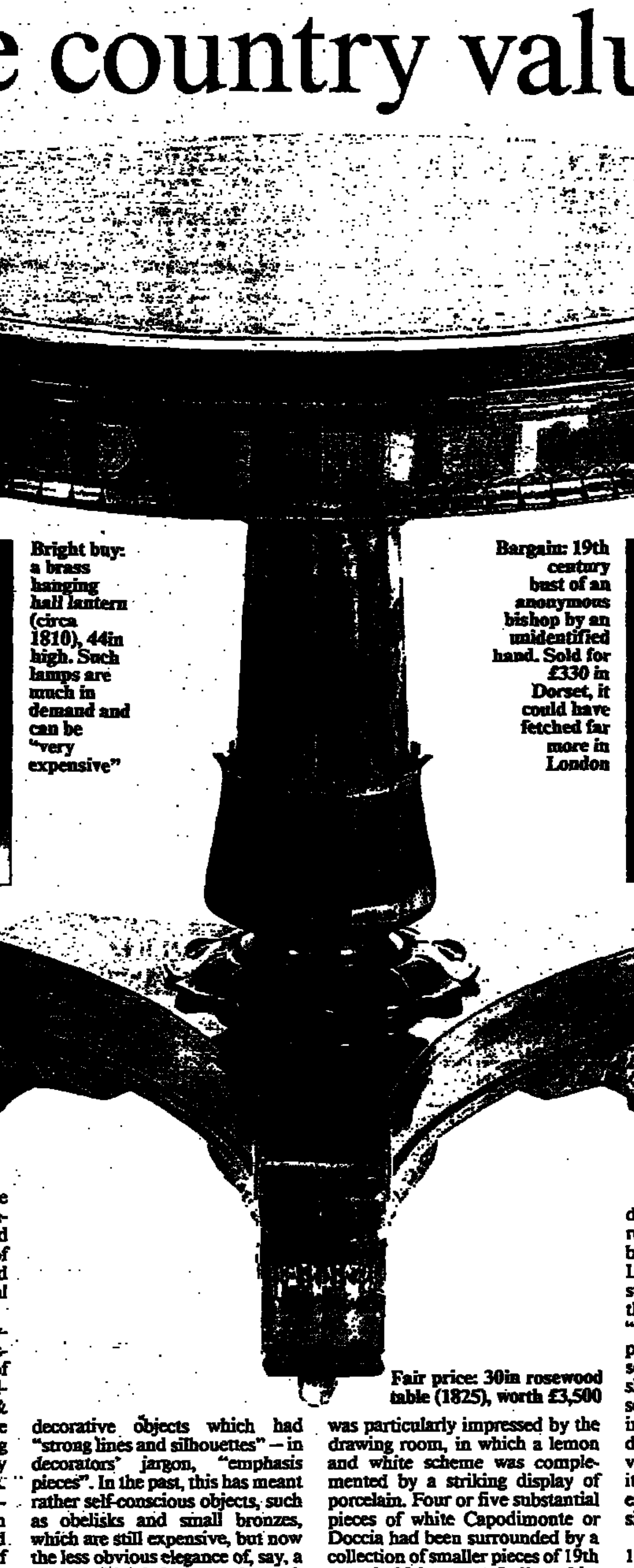
Fiona Goodheart, who is based both in Yorkshire and London, says she buys many antiques in the North, although she has scouts at country house contents sales. She finds that although commercial clients, such as hotels, offices and developers, are providing less work, on the private side she has never been busier. As the costs of raw materials have risen, and the business has been affected by VAT increases, it makes sense to buy antiques where they are cheaper.

Kevin Smith, of Windsor House Antiques in Leeds, has been heartened by two sales in recent weeks, one an international event and the other comparatively local. Both suggest that the disparaging use of "interior decorators' taste" is becoming less fair.

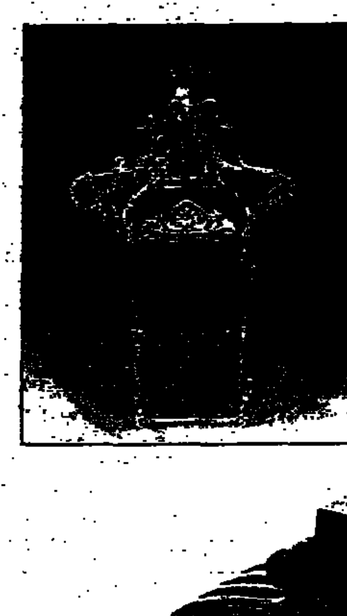
The first sale was a two-stage affair, beginning with a visit from a London antique dealer, who put aside 40 to 50 things which might interest his client. He then returned with the client, a New Yorker who was doing up his apartment, and the client's American decorator. They bought a considerable number of things, working to a budget, and eschewing the traditional high polish for "the rather tired and comfortable country house look. Nothing grand and flashy, rather the solid quality of late Regency mahogany, and painted furniture in the original state rather than restored."

In this, the decorators are following the art trade, which has rediscovered the chunky merits of makers and designers such as Gillows, George Bullock or Ince & Mayhew, and of tables such as the example shown here, after a long period when only 18th century Georgian commanded large prices.

The local sale was also encouraging in this sense. Both decorator and client had moved away from the obviousness of traditional favourites such as William and Mary chests and of "adding Queen Anne walnut to Queen Anne walnut". They were looking for good, formal furniture and decorative objects which had "strong lines and silhouettes" — in decorators' jargon, "emphasis pieces". In the past, this has meant rather self-conscious objects, such as obelisks and small bronzes, which are still expensive, but now the less obvious elegance of, say, a good hanging hall lantern is much in demand.



Fair price: 30in rosewood table (1825), worth £3,500



Bright buy: a brass hanging hall lantern (circa 1810), 44in high. Such lamps are much in demand and can be "very expensive"

Bargain: 19th century bust of an anonymous bishop by an unidentified hand. Sold for £330 in Dorset, it could have fetched far more in London

This client was doing up the family home in style, to provide seven bedroom suites. Mr Smith was particularly impressed by the drawing room, in which a lemon and white scheme was complemented by a striking display of porcelain. Four or five substantial pieces of white Capodimonte or Doccia had been surrounded by a collection of smaller pieces of 19th or early 20th century Italian white porcelain, not all of such quality. Because of the careful choice and the skilful arrangement, the better pieces elevated the lesser.

Today, it seems, not only decorators but people who are refurnishing for themselves would be well advised to look beyond London and the traditional areas such as the Home Counties and the Cotswolds. Objects which "make statements" and which can provide a focal point for the scheme of a room are said to be in short supply, but there are still some underpriced categories. For instance, although many interior decorators have recognised the value of marble busts, good quality 19th century examples are still extraordinarily cheap unless the sitter or sculptor is well known.

Ten days ago an excellent early 19th century bust of an anonymous bishop by an unidentified hand sold for £330 at auction in Dorset. The same could well happen in Yorkshire, although probably no longer in London.

Lots of lovely Lalique

Preview

☐ **Today:** Ceramics and Lalique glass, as well as old tools and kitchen equipment, are among a thousand lots at Wealden Auction Galleries' contents sale at Rose Hill, Verity Lane, Linton, near Maidstone, Kent, at 10am.

☐ **Monday and Tuesday:** Sotheby's sale at the Gleneagles hotel begins with silver at 10.30am, followed by jewels at 12.15pm, Wemyss-ware at 3pm and guns at 6.30pm. On Tuesday, there are sales of Scottish sporting paintings and watercolours at 5pm and 8.30pm.

☐ **Tuesday:** Jewels and silver and miniatures are offered at Christie's in Glasgow at 11am.

☐ **Wednesday and Thursday:** Christie's South Kensington goes pop with guitars and other instruments on Wednesday at 2pm, and pop memorabilia, including Cynthia Lennon's collection, on Thursday, 10.30am and 2pm. Elvis Presley's boxing shorts or Prince's "Lovesexy" suit could cost £5,000. A John Lennon Christmas card is estimated at up to £8,000.

☐ **Thursday:** A 17th century Flemish armoire "fitted to hold snooker balls" is offered by Mallams of Cheltenham, at 11am. Bonhams Lots Road offers books and maps, including art references from the library of the painter Albert Houtheusen, at 2pm.

☐ **Friday:** A collection of Masonic memorabilia, including a silk and sequin apron (up to £330), and porcelain, is offered by Bonhams at 11am.

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Jane Muir has a mission to see the reputation of mosaic restored to its rightful place

Picking up the pieces of a craft

EVERY stone is a precious stone to Jane Muir, a mosaicist who may prize a piece of common Chiltern flint above rubies. "I have always been 'a stone in the pocket' person", she says, admitting her predilection can lead to an overwhelming urge to tote home a chunk of quartzite in her holiday baggage.

Mrs Muir, aged 60, is one of Britain's foremost mosaicists, working to both public and private commissions. Countless feet pass her "lily pond" feature in Glasgow's Princes Square shopping precinct.

But she came late to the values of tesserae and smalti — basic materials of the mosaicist with the latter, cobalt-blue Venetian glass, arguably sovereign. And her initiation into the craft could be described as downright prosaic.

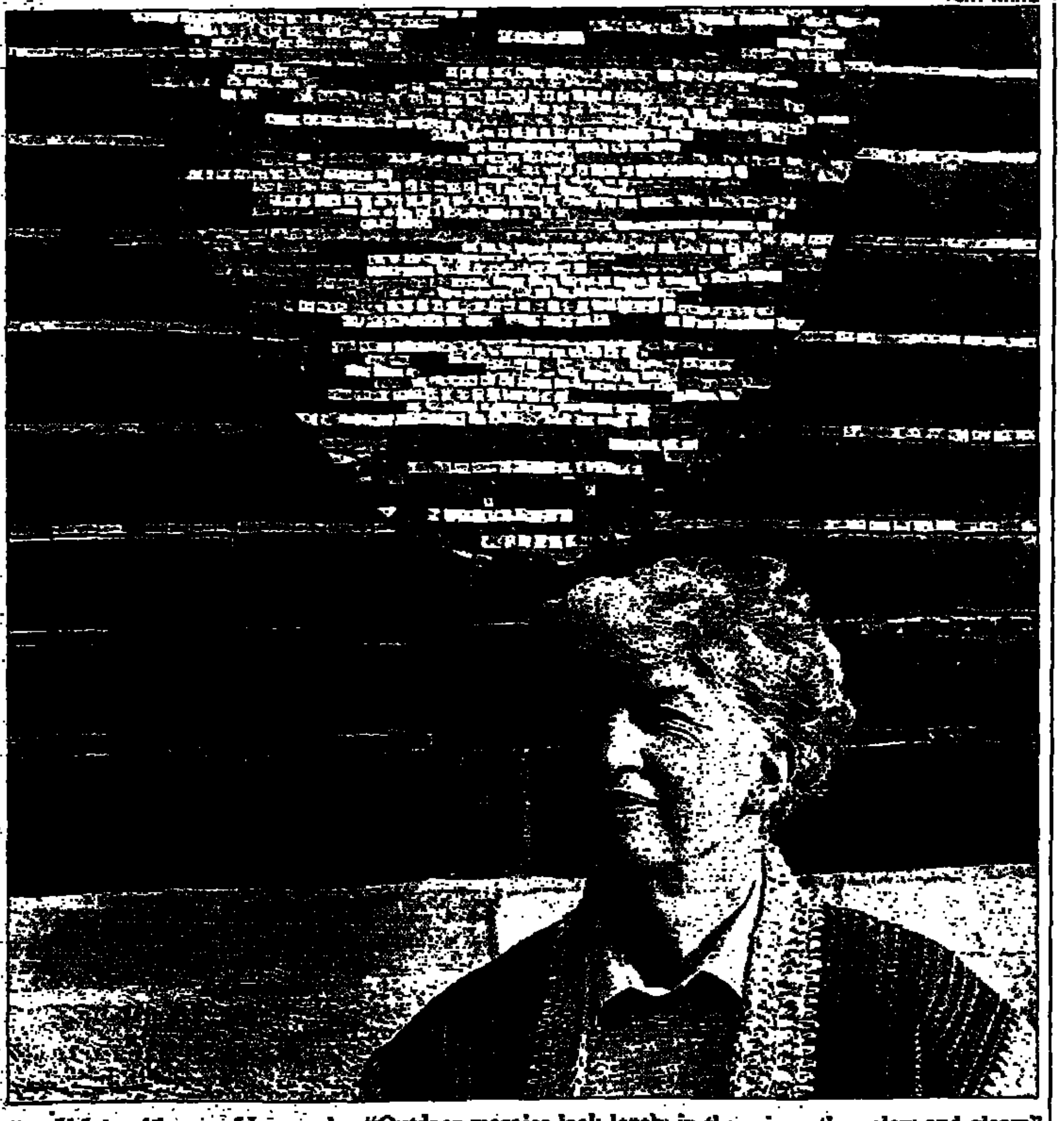
The mother of two young children, her stints at the kitchen sink were made worse by her view of an ugly coalhouse door. She prescribed a mosaic cure-all for the bleak outlook. "It was really a dark alley in a garden in the North, where we were then living."

While studying history at St Anne's College, Oxford, she had travelled to Italy to see the mosaics at Ravenna. Mrs Muir had always painted but was in her late thirties before she took a course in painting and sculpture at Middlesbrough, and another specialising in murals and mosaic under Joan Haswell at Teesside College of Art.

Nor was the coalhouse door forgotten. "I designed this exotic thing based on the Indian Tree of Life, and about 8ft by 4ft. It enlivened the dark recess of our cobbled yard. Outdoor mosaics look lovely in the rain — they glow and gleam."

Moving south during the 1970s near Aylesbury, where she now lives, she found not just apathy but antipathy to mosaics. "People associated the word with nasty coffee table top kits of vitreous mosaic in garish colours. It wasn't seen as an investment art like painting. And people weren't sure if a mosaic should be hung on a wall or be part of the wall."

Mrs Muir set out to elevate perceptions of mosaic as an art form, rather than as a semi-industrialised terrazzo activity, which it had become following the invention of reverse setting processes by Dr Antonio Salviati in the 1860s. His method produced boxed workshop sections for erection by tilers.



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Jane Muir with one of her works: "Outdoor mosaics look lovely in the rain — they glow and gleam"

The craft was thus debased, Mrs Muir explains, mosaic having become "a form of heavy wallpaper" rather than being exploited for its own qualities, "beauty and hardness of material, surface texture and reflected light". Sir William Blake Richmond revived direct setting with his mosaics for St Paul's cathedral in the 1890s and, in the 1920s, Boris Anrep and Roger Fry recreated interest in mosaic's artistic possibilities.

Hans Unger and his partner, Eberhard Schultz, helped to reinstate direct setting in the 1960s by keeping design and execution in the same hands. The Penguin Books mural at Harmondsworth was an example of their work. Mrs Muir pledged herself to the same end: she was a founder member of the International Association of Artists in Mosaic (AMIC), whose secretariat is in Ravenna.

Since then, initiatives have been taken up by artists in Japan, Germany, Britain and the United States, stimulated by the uses of glass and stone under kinetic, optical and collagist influences.

Mrs Muir says she works in a "very free, assemblagist" way. One of her works, *Nucleus*, is a mosaic relief experiment in slate, lead crystal, glass and Venetian smalti. Cutting materials can be hard on the fingers and basic tools include tungsten-tipped nippers, with graphite and other more heavily abrasive methods of polishing. Walls incorporating damp-proof courses are needed for outdoor mosaics.

The sheer labour intensity of hand-cutting may mean a price of £250 for a small wall-hung mosaic; other commissions can work out at £1,000 a square metre.

SANDY BISP

● *Information: the Crafts Council, 1 Oxendon Street, London SW1 (071-278 7700). Jane Muir will be a guest artist at the Wooburn arts festival, Buckinghamshire, from October 4 to 13. Festival box office (06285 24243).*

The long, unbroken reign of the umbrella

The ancient symbol of sovereignty was umbrella-shaped. When the idea of using one to keep off the weather caught on, a fashion was born

Only a fool, according to Mark Lemmon, the first editor of *Punch*, expects the return of loaned books, money or umbrellas.

For the legitimate collector, umbrellas are a field in which the enthusiastic and knowledgeable might make hay comparatively inexpensively, and not just while the sun shines.

In auctions, umbrellas still tend to be lotted in groups of four or five, unless they are exceptionally attractive, and if they sell at all they seem to average out at about £50 or £60. Very occasionally, if they have special handles, such as a carved ivory pierrot on a green silk umbrella made by S. Fox & Co of London in the 1880s, they can make three or even four-figure prices.

Even though it has become a stock property of the cartoonist, the umbrella has a glorious lineage dating back to the 12th century BC in both Egypt and China. The Egyptian hieroglyph for sovereignty and fertility was umbrella-shaped, and they are still symbols of kingship in Africa, as they were before Christ. In Burma, the ruler of Ava was styled "King of the White Elephants and Lord of the Twenty-Four Umbrellas", the armies of the Sultans of Morocco marched behind regimental umbrellas, and they have been attributes of Bacchus, Buddha and 15th century popes.

Parasols, and perhaps also waterproofed versions, were known in England as early as 1630, as is shown by a poem with which Michael Drayton presented his lady love with a pair of doves, which shall "like umbrellas with their feathers, shield you in all sorts of weathers", although in an auction catalogue of 1687 they are still listed as "a fine parcel of umbrellas and other curiosities".

While gentlemen in the early 18th century would carry one, they were kept by churches, coffee houses and the grander private establishments to protect people between door and carriage.

In December 1709, the *Female Tatler* carried an acid notice declaring that the "young gentleman belonging to the Customs House, that for fear of rain borrowed the umbrella at Will's Coffee House in Cornhill, of the mistress, is hereby advertised that to be dry from head to foot on the like occasion, he shall be welcome to the maid's pattens". Naturally, hackney carriage drivers opposed the introduction of private umbrellas, and it was only in the second half of the century that Jonas Hanaford, the traveller and philanthropist, and Beau Macdonald, a former gentleman's gentleman, braved public scorn to introduce them to London.

A boost to popularity came with the Peninsula war, in which the officers of both sides carried parasols into battle.

During the 19th century, popularity was a matter of fashion and politics. In Paris they were derided as bourgeois during the reign of Louis Philippe, but his court umbrella maker nimbly jumped sides to supply the Empress Eugenie with parasols, and her fashionable lead was followed throughout Europe. The parasol retained its sway for women until the 1920s, but it became ever more gimmicky, and may well have been killed by the ridicule attending the introduction of a miniature canine version in 1922. By the time that King George VI and the present Queen Mother visited the United States, her parasol was regarded as of almost archaeological interest.

Regal touch: Queen Elizabeth carrying a parasol in 1947

For men in the last century there was much greater variety than today, and social reputations could be irrecoverably lost by carrying an outmoded style. In the 1870s the only type worth having was of furled silk on a Malacca cane with silver or gold mounts inscribed with name and address. The standard shape was the mushroom, hence the term "mushroom fakers" for repairers. During Edward VII's reign there was a fashion for garish red and yellow stripes. Folding and telescopic versions for the tall pocket were known as early as the 1780s, and in 1904 the first transparent example made its appearance.

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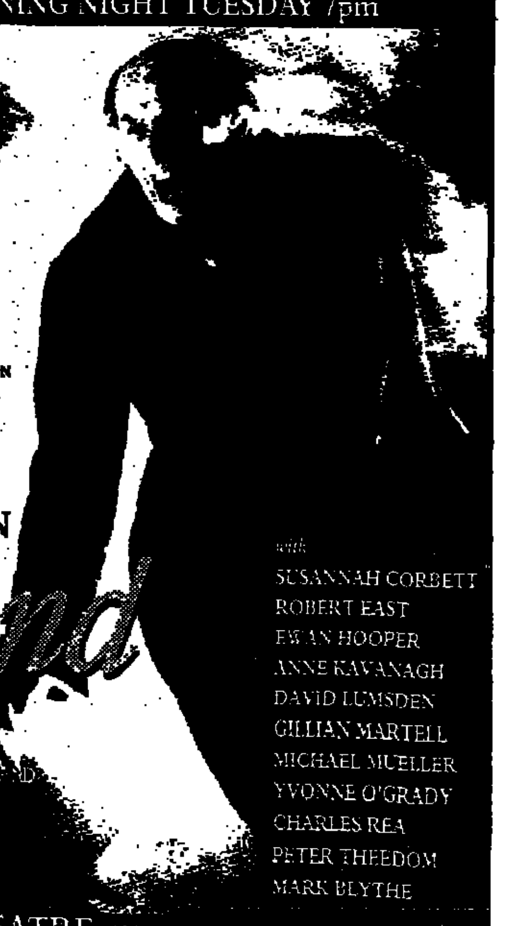

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TELEVISION REVIEW

Hoping for change from this tenor

Joe Joseph advises Pavarotti to emulate Tom Jones, and marvels at nomads' approach to sex

The haunting faces and rituals of the Wodaabe nomads that Werner Herzog followed across the southern Sahara in Under the Sun (BBC 2) were so breathtaking that for a while I wondered if the whole thing was a spoof by the German filmmaker. Herzog, who winched a 350-ton steamship over a Peruvian mountain when filming *Fitzcarraldo*, would probably think nothing of creating a new tribe, even a new desert, if he deemed it artistically necessary.

What persuaded me to take them at face value was the thought that a bunch of Wodaabe nomads huddled around a telly to watch **Pavarotti: 30th Anniversary Concert** (BBC 2) would probably find it just as hard to believe that men with whopping waists, kiss curls and little white hankies stuck to their pinky fingers were more than a fantastic figment of some filmmaker's imagination.

The Wodaabe might not be able to name the latest stars on the alternative comedy circuit. But even the most unworldly African nomad knows that the "hankie that sticks to your hand when you pull it out of your pocket" routine has become so stale that even Tommy Cooper cut it from his routine years ago.

There seem to be several current misunderstandings about Luciano Pavarotti. One is that he is a recluse. Unless a rigorous course of immersion tank therapy has kept you insulated from the world for the past couple of months, you would have found it difficult to miss all the interviews that this "highly reclusive" opera star has given to every opera magazine critic, radio station and most passing milkmen.

Another misunderstanding is that his recent open-air recital in Hyde Park and last week's broadcast of his 30-years-in-showbiz celebrations from the small opera house in Reggio Emilia, where he made his debut in 1961, prove that Pavarotti is becoming too populist. In fact, the opposite is the case. Pavarotti is still not populist enough. He is occupying a tricky twilight zone, somewhere between High Art and the Hammersmith Odeon. He has to take the final few steps and become a fully fledged pop star. All he lacks is a suitable stage act.

It is unlikely that Pavarotti could convincingly skip across the stage, pout his lips or strut like an angry chicken, as Mick Jagger does, even though they are nearly the same age. And even with your eyes tightly closed it is hard to imagine Pavarotti prancing around in the white mini-skirt Jagger wore when the Rolling Stones performed in Hyde Park in 1969. Nor can Pavarotti swing the microphone like a huge lassoo, the way Roger Daltrey did in The Who.

But if his agent has any sense, he will take Pavarotti out of those dull tailcoats and pour him into some black leather trousers, ram large gold rings on his fingers, a soup-plate-sized medallion round his neck and get him belting out numbers like Tom Jones does. Many women, particularly Dutch ones, already find Pavarotti very sexy, and while "O Sole Mio" might sound swanky in Italian, it is no more up-market than "It's Not Unusual" or "The Green Green Grass of Home".

Luciano is already half way there. The Reggio Emilio concert was supposed to be for him, not by him. Raina Kabaivanska, Patrizia Pace, Shirley Verrett and Giuseppe Sabbatini, among others, were there to do the work. But Pavarotti could not bear to sit still while his friends sang on stage. He went up to join them. And at the end, needing some sort of chorus backing, he asked the fans in the stalls to sing along, just like Tom Jones does when he wants to whip up a frenzy. But you could tell that Pavarotti went home a little unhappy, because the audience was too reserved and polite to demand "Nessun Dorma" as an encore. With fewer opera toffs in the crowd, Luciano will be able to belt out "Nessun Dorma" all night long. It is the obvious climax to this great man's career.

Next to Pavarotti, the Wodaabe seem fairly unremarkable, even though their customs are startling. They describe themselves as "those under the taboo of purity" and consider themselves "the most beautiful people on this earth". Pestered by drought and locusts, they nevertheless make time for fun.

Medallioned, and poured into leather pants: an image Pavarotti might consider to add to his popularity

In one of the Wodaabe's festivals — which can last up to ten days and are something between a marriage market and a celebration of love and beauty — the tall, slender men prettify themselves with beads in their hair and blue paint on their lips and compete to attract the women.

Since Wodaabe women find tall, skinny men with white teeth and white eyes rather fetching, this involves the men standing on tiptoe as they bare their white teeth and frantically roll their eyes to maximise their whiteness. The idea is to make it look as if you have golf balls in your eye sockets. If you wanted to reproduce the same effect yourself at home without major surgery you would need a fistful of cocaine washed down with a quart or two of bourbon. Herzog's use of a crackly recording of Gounod's *Ave Maria* as background music for this preening posse of tip-toeing, blue-lipped, good-time guys gave the sequence a surreal edge.

The women, though without a copy of *Cosmopolitan* between them, are quite liberated enough to saunter around this beauty parade, pick out the men they fancy and drag them off into the bush for a night of passion. The most sobering thing is listening to the girls talking about their catches the morning after. "He was nothing special," says one picky lady. "I'll choose a better one tonight. The boy was really no great beauty."

The men, meanwhile, exchange tips on how to radiate the right signals so that the girl they fancy will pick them up. And then the chaps are off again, rolling their eyes in readiness for night two. If only we could plant Luciano in the line-up, and keep Werner's cameras rolling to record the women's wonderment, our lives would be complete. *Under The Sun* was certainly stylish. Herzog's melancholy, monotone narrative captured the mood of a people who swing like metronomes between the daily challenge of making enough to eat and the nightly challenge of making enough whoopee to keep all the gals happy.

When Herzog asks the herdsmen where they are going next, they answer, "We simply follow the cattle". It seems a strange sort of existence. But probably not much stranger than writhing your hips around like a hula dancer while belting out "O Sole Mio" through a microphone.

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OPERA

Mozart for the impure

HERESY: delightful heresy. These versions of **Don Giovanni** and ***The Marriage of* Figaro** — by Tony Britten and Nick Broadhurst for Music Theatre Works, in the Barbican Hall — do everything to rile the purists. For one thing, the score has been cleverly distilled for a sextet of flute, clarinet, horn, violin, cello and synthesizer.

For another, the recitatives are mostly replaced by spoken dialogue, and Da Ponte's texts have been colourfully translated into modern vernacular. References abound to videos, the drug ecstasy and so on.

So what if we lose most of the manners and virtually all the refinement of the original? We can still (just about) call it Mozart, and the same social processes — the demise and conversion, respectively, of two sex-crazed men and the ultimate ascendancy of the oppressed — are still sharply observed. By often using the same singers in parallel roles, these two stagings stressed both the similarities and contrasts between these works.

Thus the long-maned Andrew C. Wadsworth, an actor whose timing is superb, played both Don Giovanni and the Count (here called Sir Cecil) in suitably hot-blooded vein. On the other hand, the servant figures, both played with polish by Harry Burton, are diametrically opposed. Where the bowler-hatted, opportunistic Leporello is a coward and a wide boy, Figaro heroically stands up to his corrupt master.

Mary Louise Clark: a punkish Zerlina

Broadhurst's production, much sharper for *Giovanni* than for *Figaro*, otherwise deals in stereotypes. Zerlina (Mary-Louise Clark) is a teenaged, punkish figure: half coy, half nymphomaniac. Her boyfriend Masetto comes straight from the East End head-butting brigade, a nuance that Billy Hartman seemed to relish. *Figaro*'s Susanna (played again by Clark), though adequately impish, tones down Zerlina's ignorant flirtatiousness; Broadhurst is careful to let her remain an essentially serious character.

The two women spurned by the anti-heroes, Elvira and the Countess ("Lady Ros"), are both Joan Collins-like figures in the hands of Gaynor Miles. In contrast, the source for Elizabeth Brice's Marcellina seems closer to *Coronation Street*. William Relton's Octavio, besuited and bespectacled, comes from the stockbrocker belt. The same singer's Basilio cuts a maliciously fey figure. Anna (Jan Hartley Morris, also a rather feminine Cherubino in *Figaro*) is straightforward, upright and sturdy.

Many of the singers sounded strained too often; none possessed memorable voices though all were excellent actors. It says much for Mozart that the important moments remained profoundly telling. Britten himself directed from the keyboard. His musicians played less tidily for *Figaro*, but the impetus was well maintained. Simon Higlett's simple sets were brilliantly versatile.

STEPHEN PETTITT

Romantic shots in the dark

Werther
Coliseum

AFTER spending all last season *in the company of Mozart* and 20th century operas, English National Opera has returned to the 19th century at its most incurably weepy. *Werther is Jules Massenet's* lushly romantic setting of the Goethe story about the overwrought bore who kills himself, after interminable poetic posturing, because the lady he loves is married to somebody else.

If that synopsis seems unsportingly to give the ending away, I should point out that Keith Warner's revived 1987 production is one prolonged flashback. Our besotted hero appears to review his whole torrid career in the moments before aiming the pistol in the general direction of his testicles. This part of the anatomy was selected, presumably, on the grounds that he would not subsequently be able to sing a ten-minute death scene if he had shot himself *more conventionally in the* head.

This is not an evening for the morbidly inclined. You start by reading, in the ENO *programme*, such amusing articles as "The disposition to suicide", "Premonitions of death" and "Victorian attitudes to suicide". Then the curtain goes up on a black-clad Werther clutching his head at a black desk in front of a black set (Stefanos Lazaridis's claustrophobia-inducing arrangement of sliding panels). A black-veiled mourner, subsequently revealed as Charlotte, then proceeds to strew lilies about the place. When the rest of the cast turn up, they are all in black too. A little dark purple would have made a nice change.

Sometimes Massenet drops a strong hint, by a delicately skipping rhythm or shimmering string writing, that he imagined the opera as having episodes of lighter relief: village merrymaking and the like. But in this production nothing so trivial is allowed to come between the gloom and the doom.

Returning to the title role, Arthur Davies at least conveys — by mad-eyed stare and a tenor of aptly unpredictable phrasing and edginess — enough of the manic depressive to make Werther's actions credible. Anne-Marie Owens, too, offers a splendidly sung Charlotte, especially in the tragic Act III aria accompanied by baleful horns, where her contralto-like timbre develops impressive power and passion. This formidable and matronly figure, however, seems an unlikely source of frenzy in the male breast. Perhaps Werther loved her mind.

Charlotte's sister Sophie, customarily portrayed as an intensely irritating epitome of chirpiness, was given an unusually credible characterisation by Rosa Mannion. The voice was bright and sweet enough, but the part was projected with a convincingly neurotic twist. If Werther *had* married this Sophie, as he was advised, one feels that he would have ended up shooting himself anyway. The long-suffering husband Albert was portrayed with requisite Victorian stiffness by Russell Smythe.

IN THE pit, Yan Pascal Tortelier could not match Mark Elder's passionate sweep through this ardent music four years ago. But after some unsynchronised wobbles early on, his interpretation was idiomatic enough, and the ENO orchestra relished those spectacular moments when Massenet audaciously channels the drama into virtuoso instrumental passages. In the end, *it* is Massenet's full-blooded sounds, not the sepulchral staging, that is the chief reason for catching this revival.

RICHARD MORRISON

DONALD COOPER

Credibly manic: Arthur Davies, with Anne-Marie Owens

Diabolic score

PROM

The Fiery Angel
Albert Hall/Radio 3

NYMPHOMANIA, sado-masochism, black magic, ritual *child abuse, cannibalism: it* could be an everyday tabloid story or even a soap opera. In fact, it is Prokofiev's opera *The Fiery Angel*, scheduled for *what is unlikely* to be an inhibited staging by David Freeman for the Kirov Opera and Covent Garden next season, but here given a concert performance at the Proms under Edward Downes.

Rightly, no attempt was made to semi-stage the work: with a scenario like this it has to be all or nothing. But the result — apart from forcing us to bring our lurid imaginations to bear — was to concentrate the attention on the score. It is a virtuoso, brilliantly resourceful one, containing some of Prokofiev's finest music. Although it is rarely performed, and was never seen in the composer's lifetime, a good deal of the music is familiar from the orchestral recasting in the Third Symphony.

Characteristic of Prokofiev is the acrid lyricism of Renata's invocation of the Fiery Angel (a supposedly diabolic phantom whom she tries to seduce while still only 16). Also memorable is the orchestral entr'acte between the first two scenes of Act III, where manic counterpoint thrashes in all directions, supporting a soaring melodic inspiration on the upper strings. Downes's control of all this hyperactivity was supreme: the BBC Philharmonic and BBC Singers were led through this most complex of scores by one of the safest pairs of hands in the business.

Only with the climax in the final act, involving an inquisitor, exorcism and a nuns' orgy, in addition to the now standard Satan worship, did one begin to wonder whether Prokofiev was not trying to pack too much in; and, indeed, whether diablerie was his most convincing mode.

The eagerly awaited stage production will allow the score to be judged as part of a larger, dramatic conception. It bodes well that Downes will be in charge, and that the principal roles of Renata and Ruprecht will be sung, as here, by Galina Gorchakova and Sergei Leiferkus, both of whom projected their splendid voices to powerful effect.

Felicity Palmer, Nicholas Folwell, Francis Egerton, Robert Tear and Donald Maxwell were among a strong supporting cast.

BARRY MILLINGTON

Forced to be faithless

La Dispute
St Bride's, Edinburgh

WHICH of the sexes will commit adultery first is the fatuous question — absolutely typical of Marivaux — lying at the heart of this play. Four infants have been reared in complete isolation from the outside world and from each other: a negro couple attends to their physical needs until, at the age of 18 (in this production, 25), the four are brought into each other's presence. Joy! Wonder! Oh brave new world! The women are shown to be inherently vain, the men comradely, but which sex leads the other in breaking its first impulsive vows is left undecided.

This glaringly unimportant text was allowed one performance in 1744 and then forgotten until Patrice Chereau, alerted to *its cruel* and Sadean implications, directed a harsh revival at the Théâtre Nationale Populaire, and brought this to our National Theatre in 1977. Sheffield's Crucible Studio mounted the play's English-language premiere six months ago.

Roman Polak's Slovakian production for the National Theatre of Martin finds a way of being almost as radical as Chereau, but by a different route. Gone is the prince, *philosophe* or fascist, from the framing scenes. The negroes remain, indescribably sinister in their black 18th century dress and silver wigs, making a first appearance checking the strength of the concentration-camp fence. Later, when the young couples have ventured on *discovering their feelings*, these two guardians are seen again, dimly in the darkness beyond the barbed wire — wigs and watching expressions the only parts visible against the murk, floating like malevolent Cheshire cats.

The blonde pair, Lubomira Hlavacova-Krkoskova and Milan Bahul, and the darker Daniela Kuffelova and Frantisek Vyrostko wear the white shifts of people abruptly roused from sleep. As in *Baal*, the company's other production here, the acting is not only splendidly physical, but structured within the general gusto: moments of self-awareness alternate with natural clowning and rough-and-tumble in the onstage lake.

Polak's novel idea of repeating the scene with the first couple word-for-word with the second will best reward those who know the language. Even so, the fact that the lines remain the same, though behaviour is different, cuts down the credibility of what is going on.

Yet in the wordless prologues to the scenes, the tentative approaches of the young strangers to one another *is inventive and* vibrant with the pulse of truth. Forgetting the concept's gross artificiality, human beings might touch and smile, wonder and hug *like this*.

JEREMY KINGSTON

Don robbed of characteristic riches

DANCE

Don Quixote
King's, Edinburgh

IF THE librettos were of primary importance in the lyric theatre, *Il Trovatore* and *The Magic Flute* would be bad operas, *Swan Lake* and *Don Quixote* bad ballets. Fortunately, it is the subtext and the metaphorical meaning that matter most.

Which is not to say that a production can happily ignore the plot. In the case of *Don Quixote*, the adventures of the titular hero are largely irrelevant, and the love affair of Kitri and Basilio provides only a slight peg on which to hang a series of lively incidents, but they have to be given with an air of conviction.

That is one of two respects in which the production by the National Ballet of Cuba falls down. Most of this ballet's exhilarating virtues are still there: the jolly, infectiously tuneful music by that often unfairly disparaged composer Minkus; the cornucopia of *dances; the colourful background* (although Salvador Fernandez's attempt to make the walls, balconies and shutters of Spain into semi-abstract patterns only partially succeeds).

Ostensibly, Fernandez and his fellow adaptors have tried for greater realism than usual by giving the ballet a background of the Napoleonic invasion of Spain. But the adaptation is so perfunctory, and almost all the acting so half-hearted, that it does not come off. The only real effect is on the character of Gamache: treated as a French fop with an escort of soldiers, and caricatured far less than usual, thus robbing the ballet of one of its comic elements.

The other mistake is to follow the Grigorovich principle *of turning all the character* dances as far as possible into classical display numbers. The theory, I suppose, is that this is more spectacular and more attractive; in practice, it robs the ballet of variety.

Given these limitations and the restrictions of the King's Theatre stage, the company offers an uneven but always lively account of itself. Several casts are appearing in most roles: Rafael Padilla's sad, thin portrait of the Don, alas, is invariable.

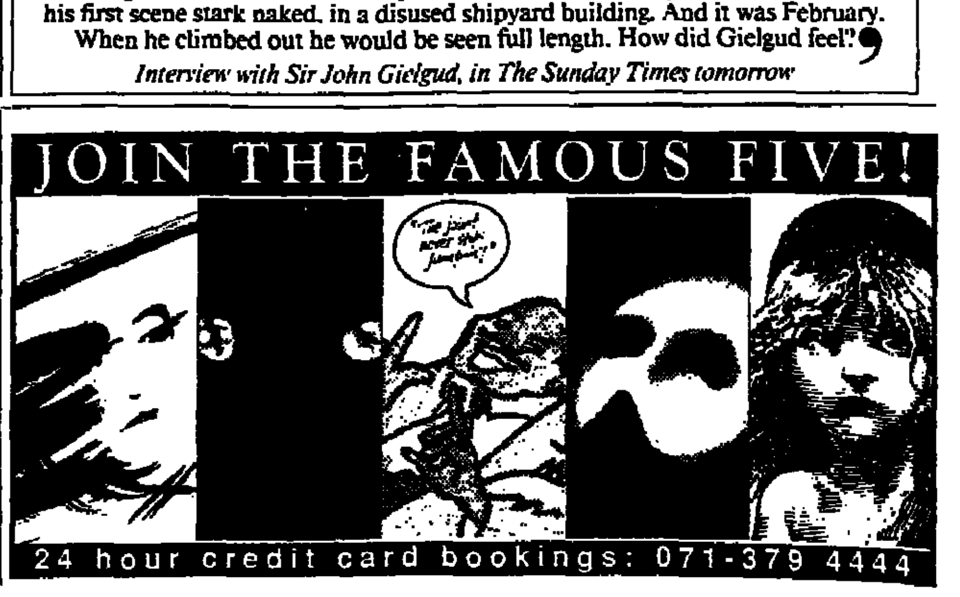
Maria Elena Llorente, an experienced ballerina and one of the three joint choreographers, played Kitri: assured, a little too cute in her facial expression, and given to milking applause shamelessly. Jorge Vega was Basilio: young, handsome and dashing. But the most gratifying feature of the performance was the animation of the crowd scenes, and especially the *flashing eyes and smiles of the* Cuban corps de ballet.

JOHN PERCIVAL

THE SUNDAY TIMES

❛I wanted to begin with Prospero as just a man, stripped, standing in a bath, washing himself,' said Greenaway. The idea required Gielgud, then 86, to play his first scene stark naked, in a disused shipyard building. And it was February. When he climbed out he would be seen full length. How did Gielgud feel?❜

Interview with Sir John Gielgud, in The Sunday Times tomorrow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BBC 1

7.05 Open University: Maths – Calculating Pi

7.30 Pinocchio: Devil Island. Cartoon adventures with the boy puppet **7.50 Kissyfur.** Adventure with the cartoon bear (r) **8.15 Grandad.** Classic children's comedy, starring Clive Dunn (r) **8.42 Weather**

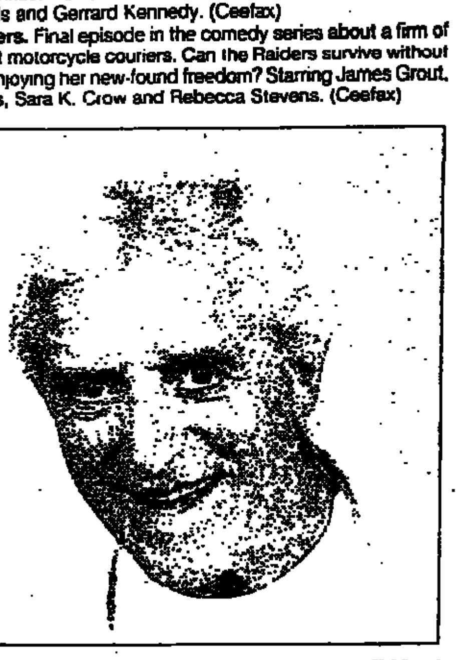
8.45 Grandstand. Desmond Lynam introduces the sporting action. **8.50, 1.05, 4.30 World Athletics Championships.** David Coleman, Stuart Storey, Paul Dickenson and Brendan Foster commentate on the first day of competition in Tokyo. Including at **(8.50)** Men's 100m, **(9.30)** Men's 900m, first round; **(11.20)** Women's 3,000m, first round, **12.00, 2.10, 2.40, 3.20, 4.00 Cricket: England v Sri Lanka.** Coverage of the third day's play in the fourth Test at Lord's. With commentary by Richie Benaud and Jack Bannister, **1.00 News; 2.00, 2.25, 3.10 Racing from Goodwood: (2.00)** March Stakes; **(2.30)** Sport on 5 Stakes Handicap; **(3.10)** Beefeater Gin Celebration Mile. Julian Wilson, Peter O'Sullevan and Jimmy Lindley commentate; **3.40 Swimming.** European Championships from Athens **4.40 Final Score.** A round-up of today's news and results

5.05 News and weather **5.15 Regional News** and sport

5.20 Stay Tooned! Seven Deadly Sins II. Tony Robinson on the cartoon perils of giving in to temptation

5.45 The Flying Doctors: Mates. Predictable Australian drama with the airborne medics. To help his wife's poorly sister, Vic has to make a sacrifice. Newcomer Luke Mitchell drifts into town. With Maurie Fields and Gerrard Kennedy. (Ceefax)

6.30 Roy's Raiders. Final episode in the comedy series about a firm of incompetent motorcycle couriers. Can the Raiders survive without Jill, who is enjoying her new-found freedom? Starring James Grout, Milton Johns, Sara K. Crow and Rebecca Stevens. (Ceefax)



Magic moments: Jimmy Savile with a selection of fix its (7.00pm)

7.00 Jim'll Fix It. Highlights from past series in which Sir Jimmy Savile makes dreams come true. Keith discovers his weight in gold, Roy tries his hand as a Venetian gondolier, Celeste becomes a journalist for the day and interviews the former Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major, and Lynda, a leukaemia sufferer, meets Jason Donovan

7.40 Film: Columbo: A Deadly State of Mind. Another case for Peter Falk as the police lieutenant with the rasping voice and shabby mac. George Hamilton makes a guest appearance as a psychiatrist with a deadly bedside manner, whose seduction of a wealthy patient leads to a murderous course of treatment. Can Columbo determine the correct diagnosis? (r). (Ceefax)

8.50 News and Sport with John Humphrys. Weather

9.10 Film: By Dawn's Early Light (1989). Made-for-television suspense thriller about the threat of nuclear war between the two superpowers, effectively mounted even if the end of the Cold War has made the plot less credible. The Soviet Union is hit by a nuclear missile resulting in mass death and destruction, and launches a counter-attack against the United States. An American B-52 bomber, piloted by Powers Boothe and Rebecca DeMornay, could be the only chance to avoid Armageddon. Directed by Jack Sholder. (Ceefax)

10.50 World Athletics Championships. Live coverage of the first day in Tokyo continues with the women's marathon. Leading the field is Portugal's Rosa Mota, the world, Olympic and European champion. The main contender is Wanda Panfil of Poland and the British challenge is led by Veronique Marot. David Coleman, Paul Dickenson, Brendan Foster and Stuart Storey describe the action

1.40am Weather

BBC 2

6.50 Open University: Maths — Modelling Drug Therapy **7.15** Urban Development — Gainers and Losers **7.40** Maths — Estimation **8.05** *Ticket To Fly* **8.30** *The Revolution Yet to Come* **8.55** Basque Nationalism and the Spanish State **9.20** Physics Beyond Experience **9.45** The Appraisal Interview **10.10** Technology Foundation Course **10.35** The Internal Combustion Engine **11.00** The Flight of the Eagle **11.25** Environment — Living With Drought **12.15** The Oldham Experience **12.40** Experts and Novices — Maths on the Street **1.05** The View from Moscow **1.30** Modern Art — Greenberg on Pollock **1.55** Culture and Belief in Europe 1450-1600 **2.20** The History of Mathematics **2.45** An Introduction to Psychology — Autism

3.10 Mahabharat. Episode 60 of the 93-part epic from India. In Hindi with English subtitles

3.50 Film '91 in New York. Barry Norman casts his gaze over the summer's film releases. He talks to Harrison Ford about *Regarding Henry*; to Woody Allen about *Alice*; to director Ridley Scott and actresses Susan Sarandon and Geena Davis about *Thelma and Louise*; and reviews Kevin Costner's *Robin Hood — Prince of Thieves* (r). (Ceefax)

4.30 Cricket: England v Sri Lanka. Further coverage of the third day's play from Lord's

6.30 Small Objects of Desire: The Aspirin. More than seven million headache pills are swallowed by Britons every week (r)

6.50 The Shadow: Teachers.

● CHOICE: Malcolm Hope, head of languages at a 2,000-pupil comprehensive in Oxfordshire, compares notes with Nicole Miguel, who teaches English at a school near Bordeaux. There are plenty of contrasts to be drawn, not least of which is that French teachers are only expected to be in school to take lessons and attend meetings. Poor Malcolm Hope seems to be there all the time, working out budgets, supervising breaks, taking on pastoral duties and then starting all over again at home in the evenings. Beyond that there is a clear difference between Hope's emphasis on teaching in groups and Madame Miguel's more formal style. Hope thinks the French children are more motivated, quoting the words of a professor (unnamed) that "teaching languages in England is like gardening in a gale". In its low-key and unpretentious way, this continues to be a revealing series

7.20 News and sport. Weather

7.35 Never and Always. Concluding the series of documentaries by the late Denis Mitchell. This, his most ambitious work, compares a year in the serene life of the Norfolk countryside with the chaotic state of the nation in the mid-Seventies (r)

Deep in the heart of Texas: country star Willie Nelson (8.30pm)

8.30 Arena: Texas Saturday Night.

● CHOICE: A four-hour blockbuster from the *Arena* team follows previous "nights" devoted to the blues, the Caribbean, animals and food. This time, instead of a compendium of items, we have a continuous location-shot film with intermissions but no studio links. Hosted by Kinky Friedman, a Texan who chews cigars and writes detective stories, the show is mainly a celebration of the state's popular music with generous examples from country singers in cowboy hats. Almost everyone wears a cowboy hat, apart from the two elderly female guardians of the Alamo, shrine to Davy Crockett, which today stands across the road from the San Antonio Woolworths. Willie Nelson turns up, looking weighed down by his tussles with the tax man, and the finale is devoted to another country music giant, Bob Wills of "San Antonio Rose", who is evoked in film from the Forties not previously seen on television

12.30am Cricket. England v Sri Lanka. Richie Benaud introduces highlights from Lord's. Ends at **1.05**

ITV

6.00 TV-am

9.25 Children's ITV: Ghost Train. Climb on board with Frances Dodge and Sabra Williams for a final ride on the entertainment locomotive

11.30 The ITV Chart Show. The *Vintage Video* slot features the Jam performing "That's Entertainment"

12.30 Superman: Fugitive from Space. Animated adventures with the caped crusader

1.00 ITN News with Fiona Armstrong **1.05 Regional News** and weather

1.10 Saint & Greavsie. Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves review the early season football

1.55 International Rugby Union: New Zealand v Australia. Alastair Hignell introduces highlights from Auckland

2.55 Film: The Looters (1967). A tepid French thriller with American stars Frederick Stafford and Jean Seberg. A safe-cracker retires to the Caribbean where he organises fishing trips. His tranquil existence is disrupted by a beautiful woman who wants to make use of his talent. Directed by Jacques Besnard

4.45 Results Service. Elton Welsby reviews today's sporting action

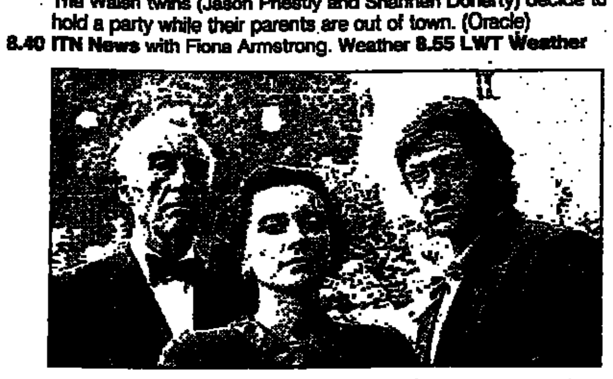
5.00 ITN News with Fiona Armstrong **5.05 Regional News** and weather

5.15 Film: Robin and Marian (1976). Sean Connery as an ageing Robin Hood returns from the Crusades to resume his fight against the evil sheriff of Nottingham (Robert Shaw). An intelligent, elegiac version of the story which also stars Audrey Hepburn, back on the screen after a long break, as Maid Marian. Directed by Richard Lester. (Oracle)

7.10 The Two of Us: Best Laid Schemes. Amiable romantic comedy starring Nicholas Lyndhurst and Janet Dibley as young marrieds. (r). (Oracle)

7.40 Beverly Hills, 90210: B.Y.O.B. American drama series revolving around the academic and personal lives of rich high school kids. The Walsh twins (Jason Priestly and Shannen Doherty) decide to hold a party while their parents are out of town. (Oracle)

8.40 ITN News with Fiona Armstrong. Weather **8.55 LWT Weather**



Threesome on the run: Lee, Vasquez and Brandon (9.00pm)

9.00 Film: The Care of Time.

● CHOICE: One of the less publicised victims of the conflict in the Gulf was this adaptation of Eric Ambler's thriller which, among other things, features a paranoid Arab ruler threatening chemical warfare. *The Care of Time* finally reaches the screen a year after being pulled from the schedules. Viewers have not been missing a masterpiece but it passes a Saturday evening adequately enough. A fiendishly intricate plot is perhaps better assimilated on the printed page than on television but essentially it involves the archetypal Ambler scenario of an innocent plunged into danger. He is an American reporter (*Michael Brandon*) who tries to retreat to Pennsylvania to write a book but is sucked into an attempt by Middle East terrorists to bump off an international wheeler-dealer (Christopher Lee in a panama hat). Yolanda Vasquez plays a token female and the stunt department shines during a rousing climax amid spectacular Austrian scenery. (Oracle)

11.00 Richard Digance. The cockney entertainer is joined by Joe Pasquale, Hilary O'Neil and the Silver Strings

11.30 Barf Bites Back. The elite of the alternative comedy world gather at the Duke of York's Theatre to celebrate Amnesty International's thirtieth anniversary

12.30am Film: Tommy (1975). Raucous rock opera written by the Who's Pete Townshend and given the full treatment by director Ken Russell. Roger Daltrey stars as Tommy, the deaf, dumb and blind boy who becomes a wizard player on the pinball machine. With Ann-Margret, Oliver Reed, Elton John and Eric Clapton

2.35 Bhangra Beat. The cricketer Imran Khan tells Moey Hassen of his plans to set up a cancer hospital in Pakistan. Monica Takiar introduces the best of traditional Bhangra music from Premi, Xcellency and Black Mist

3.05 1991 Highland Cross. Frank Gilfeather describes the cross-Scotland endurance race

4.00 The Hit Man and Her. The latest sounds from the clubs

5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Comic Book. Cartoons **7.00 Crosstalk.** Children debate topics of interest **7.30 High 5.** Unusual sporting action **8.00 Trans World Sport.** International sporting news and features

9.00 News summary followed by **Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line**

9.30 Class by Class: The Aristocrat's Tale. Seven programmes about class distinction in Britain, presented by Ray Gosling. Lady Marguerite Tangye, daughter of the Earl of Darnley, talks about how her family and the British aristocracy in general have fared in post-war Britain. With signing and subtitles (r)

10.00 Check Out 91. Consumer issues (r). (Teletext)

10.30 Wagon Train: The Swift Cloud Story (b/w). Classic Fifties Western series, starring Ward Bond

11.30 Australian Rules Football. Highlights of the week's matches

12.30 The Munsters: Herman, the Master Spy (b/w). Vintage comedy about a ghoulish family. Starring Fred Gwynne

1.05 Film: The Human Comedy (1943, b/w). Touching drama starring Mickey Rooney as a telegram delivery boy who has to deliver heartbreaking news to the residents of a small California town during the second world war. Directed by Clarence Brown

3.15 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket. Introduced by Brough Scott. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **(3.20)** Danepak Bacon Stakes Handicap; **(3.50)** Philip Cornes Nickel Alloys Nursery Handicap; **(4.20)** *People-Sporting Life* Championship 3-y-o Handicap; **(4.50)** Ladbrokes Race Aid Handicap. The race commentator is Graham Goode

5.10 Brookside. Omnibus edition (r). (Teletext)

6.30 The Big 8: Capital City Jazz v West of Scotland. The second of six programmes from Sheffield following a knockout wheelchair basketball tournament

7.00 The World This Week. Sheena McDonald and Nik Gowing present the latest international news and analysis, including **News** headlines and weather

8.00 Kingdoms of the East: A Breed Apart. Last programme of the *Survival* series of wildlife documentaries. Cameraman Dieter Plage and his wife Mary talk about the risks, and rewards, involved in filming wildlife around the world

Superior performances: Sarandon and Lancaster (9.00pm)

9.00 Film: *Atlantic City* (1981).

● CHOICE: Louis Malle's film contains many good things and Burt Lancaster's remarkable performance as the ageing small-time gangster pulled out of retirement to dispose of stolen drugs is only one of them. Lancaster had broken the Hollywood mould before, notably for the Italian director Luchino Visconti, but his playing in *Atlantic City* was still a revelation. It is film acting of the highest quality, built not on bold gestures but the careful accumulation of detail, the turn of the mouth, the hunch of the shoulders, the slow and resigned walk. Lancaster is splendidly supported by Susan Sarandon, as the young waitress hoping to be a croupier, and by John Guare's script, which is pointed, economical and full of quiet sadness. The city itself, a faded New Jersey resort, provides an appropriate backdrop and the ability of Malle, a Frenchman, to get under the American skin is evident in almost every frame

11.00 As It Happens. Andy Kershaw makes a bank holiday weekend visit to Brighton where he braves the sewers, attends a rock festival, talks to the homeless and watches a mass wedding celebration with Japanese visitors

12.30am Manhattan Cable. Laurie Pike and Bill Judkins bring the eccentric side of New York life to our screens with extracts from the city's public access cable television service. The singer Crystal Waters talks about her new hit video *Gypsy Woman*; the story of a priest's mother who prayed for new teeth and woke up with a mouth full of platinum; the new craze of freeze-drying dead pets; and the policemen who disguise themselves as tourists to catch muggers (r)

1.15 The Oprah Winfrey Show: Pregnant and Didn't Know It! Winfrey talks to women who have given birth without realising they were expecting (r). Ends at **2.05**

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6.00am Sky Movies Showcase
8.00 Project Tinman (1988): Science-fiction story about a gentle android
10.00 Heartbreak Hotel (1989): Two brothers decide to kidnap Elvis to revive their mother's flagging spirits
12.00 Running Mates (1986): Opposites attract in this love story
2.00pm Funny Farm (1988): Chevy Chase stars in this comedy about a couple who abandon the rat race for the tranquility of the countryside
4.00 Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure (1989). Two friends embark on a journey through time to help them pass an important history examination
5.40 Entertainment Tonight
6.00 Turner and Hooch (1989): A small-town police investigator discovers an unusual witness to a *murder* case. Starring Tom Hanks
8.00 Clara's Heart (1988): Whoopi Goldberg stars as a nanny who has a profound effect on her young charge's life
10.00 Roadhouse (1989): Patrick Swayze stars as a Zen martial arts expert hired by a small-town bar to clean up the clientele
11.55 R.S.V.P. (1984): A film-maker hosts a huge party in the hopes of "auditioning" some girls for his new movie
1.30am Heathers (1989): Black comedy about two young rebels who try to bring down a powerful student clique
3.45 Dream Lover (1986): A young woman is tormented by nightmares after she is attacked. Starring Kristy McNichol and Gayle Hunnicutt. Ends at 5.25

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.15am Space Riders (1983): Barry Sheene stars in this tale of motorbike rivalry
8.15 Yogi Bear and the Magic Flight of the Spruce Goose: Animated adventures
10.00 Wanda Nevada (1979): The only film that Henry and Peter Fonda have starred in together. Also directed by Fonda Jnr
12.00 World Entertainment Report
1.00pm Short Circuit 2 (1988): Sequel to the science-fiction story about a "humanised" military robot
2.50 The Long Road Home (1990): One family's struggle for survival during the great depression
4.40 The Good, the Bad and Huckleberry Hound: Our hero turns his back on wealth
6.15 The Black Stallion (1979): A boy and a horse are shipwrecked off the coast of Africa. Starring Mickey Rooney
8.15 Who's Harry Crumb? (1989): John Candy plays an accident-prone private detective
9.50 Spotlight
10.15 Casualties of War (1989): A small platoon of soldiers in war-torn Vietnam kidnap and murder an Asian village girl. Starring Michael J. Fox and Sean Penn
12.10am Checking Out (1989): An airline executive develops chronic hypochondria when his friend suddenly drops dead. Starring Jeff Daniels
1.45 Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown (1988): Complicated Spanish comedy
3.15 L.A. Bounty (1989): Sybil Danning stars as a bounty hunter after a demented drugs baron. Ends at 4.35

SKY SPORTS

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
9.30am Sky Soccer Weekend 10.30 WWF Power Hour Wrestling 11.30 Australian Rugby League 1.30pm National Junior *Tennis Championships — from Nottingham* 5.30 Kick-boxing 6.30 Motor World 7.00 WWF Primetime Wrestling 8.30 Test Match Cricket: England v Sri Lanka 10.00 Ringside 12.00 Motor World 12.30am Test Match Cricket

EUROSPORT

● Via the Astra satellite.
8.00am Live Athletics World Championships from Tokyo, incl Cycling World Championships from Stuttgart; Swimming and Diving Eurochampionships, Athens 4.00pm Swimming Eurochampionships, Athens 5.30 Athletics World Championships 6.30 International Motorsport 7.30 Cycling World Championships, Stuttgart 9.00 Swimming Eurochampionships, Athens 9.30 Athletics World Championships 10.30 Boxing World Championships — Feather and Cruiser weights

SCREENSPORT

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12.30am Fight Night at the Forum 2.00 Major League Baseball 4.00 British Touring Car Championships 4.30 World Snooker Classics 6.30 Hippodrome French Horse Racing 7.00 Christies Historic Car Fete 8.00 International Triathlon 8.30 German Bundesliga Tennis 10.00 Motor Sport Nascar 11.00 Volvo PGA European Golf Tour 12.00 Stop USWA Wrestling 1.00 Argentine Soccer 2.00 International Speedway 3.00 Powersports International 4.00 Weekend Live World Canoeing Championships 5.00 Volvo PGA European Golf Tour 7.00 International Amateur Cycling 7.30 Tennis 9.00 Weekend Live US PGA Golf Tour 11.00 Tennis

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● Via the Astra satellite.
12.00 Annie Oakley 12.30pm Smothers Brothers 1.00 Three For The Road 1.55 Burke's Law 2.50 Spain Spain Holiday 3.05 Roller Derby 4.00 Search for Tomorrow 6.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 8.00 Close 10.00 Satellite Jukebox

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RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW 4.00am Paul McKenna (FM only until 6.00am) 7.00 The Bruno and Liz Breakfast Show 10.00 Dave Lee Travis 1.00pm Adrian Juste 2.00 Be My Baby: The Ronnie Spector Story. Richard Skinner talks to the lead singer of the sixties group the Ronettes 3.00 The Saturday Sequence, with Richard Skinner live from Milton Keynes Bowl, incl at 4.00 An Emotional Fish; at 5.00 Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark; at 6.30 The Stranglers; at 8.30 Simple Minds 10.30 John Peel (FM only after 12.00) 2.00am-4.00 Tim Smith (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. 4.00am Alex Lester: The Early Show 6.00 Graham Knight 8.05 Ronnie Hilton: Sounds of the Fifties 9.00 Brian Matthew: Sounds of the Sixties 10.00 Anne Robinson 12.00 Gerald Harper 1.30pm Bob Holness Requests the Pleasure . . . 2.00 Ken Bruce 4.00 Kenny Ball Bandshow 4.30 Barbershop Style 5.00 Cinema 2 5.30 Music By . . . John Barry 6.00 Country Meets Folk 7.00 Two From the Fringe 7.30 Mel Tormé and George Shearing: An Evening of Excellence 9.30 East Does It with Bill Rennells 10.00 Ed Stewart 12.05am Brian Matthew: Sounds of the Sixties 1.00 Colin Berry with *Night Ride* 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

RADIO 5

6.00am World Service: News and 24 Hours 6.30 Morning Edition incl at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00 News; Sport 9.00 On Your Marks World Athletics Special. Reports and commentary on the heats of the 800m, women's 3000m and men's 10,000m, incl at 10.00, 11.00, 12.00 News; Sport 12.30pm Sportscall Phone-in quiz with Danny Baker. Tel: 0345 909693 1.30 Sport on 5, with John Inverdale. Football reports on all First Division games. Cricket: third day of the England v Sri Lanka test from Lord's; Racing: from Goodwood. (2.00) Tia Maria March Stakes; (2.30) Sport on 5 Stakes; (3.10) Golf: German Open, plus news from the World Athletics Championships in Tokyo 5.00 Sports Report 6.00 As Radio 4 7.10 Cricket Scoreboard 7.15 Box 13: Soldier in the Saddle, starring Alan Ladd as Dan Holiday a mystery writer in search of adventure 7.45 As Radio 4 10.00 Sports Bulletin 10.15 As Radio 4 11.00 Sports Bulletin 11.15 Fanshawe On Five (r) 12.00-12.15am-12.15 Sport

WORLD SERVICE

5.30am The World Today 5.45 News headlines in English and French 5.47 British Press Review 5.52 World Business Report 5.57 Travel and Weather News 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Londres Matin 6.59 Weather 7.00 Newsdesk 7.30 Meridian 8.00 World News 8.09 24 Hours Live; News Summary 8.30 From the Weeklies 8.45 A Mystical Music 9.00 World News 9.09 World of Faith 9.15 A Jolly Good Show 10.00 World News 10.05 Waveguide 10.15 World Brief 10.30 Personal View 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News Summary 11.15 Letterbox 11.30 Londres Midi 11.45 Mittagsmagazin 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30pm Meridian 1.00 World News 1.09 News About Britain 1.15 Multitrack 3 1.45 Sports Roundup 2.00 Newshour 3.00 News Summary 3.01 Sportsworld 4.00 World News 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News and Features in German 4.59 Travel News 5.00 World and British News 5.15 BBC English 5.30 Londres Soir 6.14 Letter from America 6.29 News Summary 6.30 Heute Aktuell 7.00 German Features 7.30 From the Proms 7.54 News in German 8.00 World News 8.05 Write On . . 8.15 Londres Dernière 8.30 Letterbox 8.35 Write On 8.45 From the Weeklies 9.00 World News 9.09 Personal View 9.25 Words of Faith 9.30 Meridian 10.00 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.05 Short Story: A Mountainside Door 11.20 Jazz for the Asking 11.50 Sports Roundup 12.00 World News 12.05am Words of Faith 12.10 Book Choice 12.15 A Jolly Good Show 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 The Ken Bruce Show 2.00 News Summary 2.01 Play of the Week: Night and Day 3.00 Newsdesk 3.30 The Law 4.00 World News 4.09 News About Britain 4.15 From Our Own Correspondent 4.35 Write On . . . 4.48 News and Features in German

ITV VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Animated Shorts 2.55-4.45 Film: Never Too Young to Rock 11.30 John Lennon Live in New York City 12.35am Film: The Crater Lake Monster 2.05 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 Raw Power 5.00-5.30 Inter Bang!

BORDER

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 CU4 2.55 The Silk Road 3.55-4.45 Hard Time on Planet Earth 11.30 The Granada Match 12.25am Film: The Appointment 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 CinemAttractions 4.30 America's Top Ten 5.05-5.30 Superboy

CENTRAL

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Champions 2.55-4.45 Film: The Baby and the Battleship 11.30 Film: Tommy 1.35am CinemAttractions 2.05 America's Top Ten 2.40 Ann Lynn 4.15-5.30 Central Jobfinder '91

GRAMPIAN

As London except: 12.30-1.00 Beatha'n Fhasaich 2.55 Fionnan Feoir 3.25 Film: Murder Without Crime 4.45-5.00 Scotsport Results 5.10-5.15 Criomagan 11.30 Kojak 12.25am Film: The Appointment 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 CinemAttractions 4.30 America's Top Ten 5.05-5.30 Superboy

GRANADA

As London except: 2.55pm Hard Time on Planet Earth 3.50-4.45 The Ultimate Stuntman 5.10 Granada Goals Extra 5.30-7.10 Film: Crazy Like a Fox 11.30 The Granada Match 12.25am Film: The Appointment 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 CinemAttractions 4.30 America's Top Ten 5.05-5.30 Superboy

HTV WEST

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Press Your Luck 2.55 The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams 3.45-4.45 German Touring Car Championships 5.05 News and Sport 5.30-7.10 Film: Scalawag 11.30-12.30am What Are We Talking? — At the Comedy Store

HTV WALES

As HTV West except: 12.30pm-1.00 World Sport Special 5.05 News and Sport 5.20-5.30 Cartoon Time

SCOTTISH

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Munsters Today 2.55 Film: The Enemy Below 11.30 Baker and Maguire at the Festival 12.30am Film: The Old Man and the Sea 2.15 CinemAttractions 2.45 Film: The Siege of Pinchgut 4.45 Music Special 5.15-5.30 Jobfinder

TSW

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The South West Week 11.30 Queen — The Magic Years 12.25am Film: The Appointment 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 CinemAttractions 4.30 America's Top Ten 5.05-5.30 Superboy

TVS

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Blockbusters 2.55 The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams 3.50-4.45 The Anneka Rice Adventure 11.30 Kojak 12.25-12.30am Music Box Profile

TYNE TEES

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Munsters Today 2.50-4.45 Film: Lost in the Desert 11.30 Kojak 12.25am Film: The Appointment 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 CinemAttractions 4.30 America's Top Ten 4.55 Pop Profile 5.05-5.30 Superboy

ULSTER

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 The Intruders 11.30 The Granada Match 12.25am Film: The Appointment 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 CinemAttraction 4.30 America's Top Ten 5.05-5.30 Superboy

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 12.30-1.00 Heidi In Town 2.55 Film: I Married Wyatt Earp 4.35-4.45 Cartoon Time 5.05-5.15 Calendar News 11.30 Your Match 12.30am Film: The Odd Job 2.00 The Hit Man and Her 4.00 Special Squad 4.50 Short Story Theatre 5.20-5.30 Out of Limits

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Starts: 9.30am Slot Sadwrn 11.30 Australian Rules Football 12.30pm sixthirtysomething 1.05 Film: The Human Comedy 3.15 Channel 4 Racing 5.10 Brookside 6.30 The Wonder Years 7.00 Newyddion 7.10 Gemenu Heb Ffiniau 8.40 Film: Playing Away 10.35 The Decline of the Midland Bank 11.35 Profiles of Nature 12.00 Frank's Place 12.30am Manhattan Cable 1.15 The Oprah Winfrey Show 2.05 Diwedd

RTE 1

Starts: 11.15am Rocky Hollow 11.20 Ducktales 11.45 The Minikins 12.15pm Storybook International 12.40 Haydaze 1.05 CHiPs 2.00 News followed by The Disney Hour 2.05 Beyond 2000 3.35 The Woman who Raised a Bear as her Son 4.05 Film: Born Again 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 News 6.15 Dublin Film Project '91 7.10 Baywatch 8.00 Murphy's Australia 9.00 News 9.20 Film: The Rose Tattoo 11.20 The Ulster Hall Concerts 12.20am Late News 12.25 Close

NETWORK 2

Starts: 7.55am Athletics from Tokyo 1.30pm News 1.35 Sports Stadium 6.10 The Legend of Paul Bunyan 6.30 Death Valley Days 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 Wings Over the World 8.00 News 8.05 All the Rivers Run II 9.05 Film: Sweet, Sweet Rachel 11.20 Athletics from Tokyo 1.30am Close

RADIO 3

6.35-6.55am Open University (FM only)

6.55 Weather; News headlines

7.00 Morning Concert: Tchaikovsky (Suite, The Sleeping Beauty, Op 66. RPO under Charles Mackerras); Grasse (Waves at Play: Joshua Bell, violin, Samuel Sanders, piano)

7.30 News

7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Dohnányi (Variations on a Nursery Song, Op 25: Chicago SO under Georg Solti with Andras Schiff, piano); Valiet (Suite); Vivaldi (Concerto in F, RV574); Saint-Saëns (Danse Macabre, Op 40: Orchestre de Paris under Daniel Barenboim)

8.30 News

8.35 Schubert: (Trio in E flat, Notturno, D 897; Trio in E flat, D 929: Augustin Dumay, violin, Gary Hoffman, cello, Jean-Philippe Collard, piano) (r)

9.30 Record Release (FM only from 10.55): Thomas Ravenscroft (Three Blind Mice; the Marriage of the Frogge and the Mouse; and other pieces); Johan Wagenaar (Overture, Cyrano de Bergerac: Hague Residentie Orchestra under Alain Lombard); Beethoven (String Quartet in C sharp minor, Op 131: New Budapest String Quartet); Roy Harris (Symphony No 3: Chicago SO under Koussevitzky

10.55-6.30pm Test Match Special (MW only): England v Sri Lanka. Third day of the test from Lord's, incl at **1.05** News; **1.10** A View from the Boundary **1.30** County Scoreboard **1.40-6.30** Commentary

11.00 Edinburgh International Festival 1991 (FM only): Live from the Queen's Hall. Steven Isserlis, cello, and Peter Evans, piano, perform Schumann (Funf Stücke in Volkston, Op 102); Britten (Cello Suite No 3) **11.45** Festival Report **12.00** John Tavener (Threnos - first perf), Prokofiev (Cello Sonata in C, Op 119)

12.35pm Norwegian CO (FM only): Under Iona Brown performs Mozart (Divertimento in D, K 136)

12.50 Table Talk (FM only): Food stylist Clare Fergusson talks to Leslie Forbes (r)

1.00 News (FM only)

1.05 Montserrat Caballé (FM only): The sixth of nine opera recordings by the Spanish soprano. Ambrosian Opera *Chorus and LSO* under James Levine perform *Giovanna d'Arco*, Verdi's opera about Joan of Arc. Sung in Italian With Placido Domingo, tenor **2.20** Stephen Jay-Taylor talks about Caballé and the role of Giovanna **2.25** Acts 2 and 3

3.15 Cambridge Musick (FM only): Vitali (Capriccio secundo, Op 7 No 5); Corelli (Sonata in D minor, Op 5 No 12 - La Folia); Biber (Violin Sonata No 3 in F (1681); Telemann (Paris Quartet No 6 in E minor); Bach (Canons on Aria Ground - Goldberg Variations, BWV 1087) (r)

4.10 BBC PO (FM only): Under Alfred Walter performs Schmidt (Symphony No 4 in C) (r)

5.00 Jazz Record Requests (FM only)

5.45 Third Opinion in Edinburgh (FM only until 6.30)

6.45 Alan Gravill: The late pianist is heard performing Beethoven (Polonaise in C, Op 89; Andante favori, WoO 57; Sonata in A flat, Op 110) (r)

7.30 Proms 1991: Live from the Albert Hall, London. European Community Youth Orchestra under Vladimir Ashkenazy performs Shostakovich (Symphony *No 8 in C minor)* **8.30** David Horovitch reads *Taman* by Mikhail Lermontov **8.50** Debussy (La Mer); Scriabin (The Poem of Ecstasy)

9.45 Snapshots for Ever

10.00 Stan Getz

● CHOICE: With so many commercial Getz discs to chose from, Radio 3 could have taken the easy way out and just got Dave Gelly to introduce a random selection. And most likely, that would have satisfied fans of the renowned jazz saxophonist who died in June. But Radio 3 has done better than that. It is repeating the recording made by the Getz Quartet as part of the Glasgow Jazz Festival in July 1989, with Kenny Barron (on piano), Ray Drummond (bass) and Ben Riley (drums). You can hear, among other items, Getz's own "Stan's Blues" and Billy Strayhorn's "Blood Count". In the interval (10.40): memories of Getz from fellow instrumentalists and friends (r)

12.00-12.05am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, *incl* **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Week **6.50** Prayer for the Day **6.55** Weather

7.00 Today, incl **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **7.55, 8.55** Weather **8.40** Yesterday in Parliament **8.58** Weather

9.00 News

9.05 Sport on 4 with Cliff Morgan

9.30 Breakaway: Includes a report from the artists' colony of Deya on the island of Majorca

10.00 News; Nicholas's Latin Primer: Bing Crosby and Elvis have sung in it, every Oxford University college has its own grace written in it, and the Roman Catholic Church still conducts much of its international communications in it. Jeremy Nicholas on Latin in the modern world (s) (r)

11.00 News; Talking Politics: The Party Members. Second of three programmes about the way that Britain's political parties are run. Vivian White meets political activists from the three main parties

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent: Reflections on life from abroad.

12.00 End of the Line: Guide to the Sands. Paul Heiney looks at traditional ways of life which may soon be a thing of the past. This week he meets Cedric Robinson, a guide to the shifting sands of Morecambe Bay (r)

12.25pm The News Quiz: Barry Took quizzes Alan Coren, Richard Ingrams and guests on the week's events **12.55** Weather

1.00 News

1.10 The Moral Maze: Michael Buerk chairs an investigation into questions of morality raised by one of the week's news stories (s) (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; The Moral Maze: 071-580 4411. Listeners call Michael Buerk with their views on issues raised in *The Moral Maze*

2.30 Saturday Playhouse: Charlie Muffin by Brian Freemantle. Working class Muffin, a misfit in Oxbridge-dominated British intelligence, devises a crafty scheme to destroy his superiors, while securing himself a handsome redundancy cheque. Starring Philip Jackson, Sandor Eles and Peter Howell (s) (r)

4.00 The Living World: Duncan Reavey and Peter Cribb go on a foray for caterpillars

4.30 Science Now: Weekly review of discoveries and developments in science

5.00 Singular Scots: Joanna Buchan meets Elspeth King, museum curator of Glasgow's People's Palace (s) (r)

5.25 On the Hour: The news as it happens, if it happens. A satirical look at topical events (s) (r) **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather

6.00 News; Sports Round-up

6.25 With Great Pleasure: Novelist and children's writer Penelope Lively introduces a selection of her literary favourites (s)

7.10 In the Psychiatrist's Chair. Dr Anthony Clare talks to Jimmy Savile (r)

7.45 Classic Serial: The Sea Wolf. Dramatisation of Jack London's classic sea tale. Starring Jack Klaff, Kerry Shale, Shelley Thompson, Nigel Anthony and Ian Dury (2 of 4) (s)

8.45 Kaleidoscope: Money, Myths and Melodrama. John Keay reports from Film City in Bombay (s)

9.15 Music in Mind with Brian Kay (s)

9.50 Ten to Ten: Led by the Rev Eddie Neale (s) **9.59** Weather

10.00 News

10.15 The Gardening Quiz: With Dr Stefan Buczacki (s) (r)

10.45 Upsetting the Applecart: The Winter Flowering. The BBC's foreign affairs editor, John Simpson begins a series of talks on the extraordinary events of 1989 and 1990 by looking at the Velvet Revolution in Czechoslovakia (r)

11.00 The Tingle Factor. Robin Ray is joined by Terry Hands (s) (r)

11.30 The Million Pound Radio Show. Comedy show written and presented by Andy Hamilton and Nick Revell (s)

12.00-12.30am News, incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast

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BBC 1

6.45 Open University: Baffled by Design **7.10** Geochemical Mapping **7.35** Cellular Growth **8.00** Engineering Mechanics — Vibrations **8.25** Maths Models and Methods — The Examination
8.50 World Athletics Championships. Live coverage of the men's 100m semi-finals
9.20 Summer Sunday: Southend-on-Sea. Graham Young visits the traditional seaside summer resort to join in a service to celebrate the gift of leisure
10.05 World Athletics Championship. Desmond Lynam and David Moorcroft continue coverage of the second day's events in Tokyo with reports on the men's 100m final at **11.05**, and at **11.50** the second round of the men's 800m
12.30 Country File. John Craven with the latest rural issues **12.55 Weather**
1.00 News followed by **Speaking Volumes.** P.D. James and guests review books about South Africa, the Soviet Union and ancient Rome. Meanwhile, Margaret Forster visits Cornwall, once a haven for smugglers, to research the biography of Daphne du Maurier
1.45 Cartoon. Tom and Jerry
2.00 EastEnders. Omnibus edition (r). (Ceefax)
3.00 Dallas: Fathers and Sons. Drama and intrigue among the Texan oil fields. Bobby and JR forget their differences to take their sons on a cattle drive around Southfork. (Ceefax)
3.45 Film: All Creatures Great and Small (1974). Likeable film which spawned the popular television series about the vet James Herriot. The eccentric Siegfried Farnon gives greenhorn Herriot a position at his practice in the Yorkshire Dales. With Simon Ward as James and Anthony Hopkins as Siegfried. Directed by Claude Whatham. (Ceefax)
5.15 Them and Us. Last in the series in which Liverpool comedian Craig Charles takes the side of the underdog. Glasgow council tenants describe a two-year battle to fix leaking sewage pipes; and an update on BT's handling of malicious phone calls. (Ceefax)
5.45 Safari UK: The Living Isles — Fresh Pastures. Julian Pettifer on location among Britain's hidden grasslands, abundant wild flowers and flocks of breeding birds (r). (Ceefax)
6.25 News with Moira Stuart. Weather
6.40 Songs of Praise from Ambleside on Lake Windemere. (Ceefax)
7.15 Butterflies. A funny time of year to repeat a Christmas edition of Carla Lane's bitter-sweet sitcom about a housewife undergoing a mid-life crisis. With Wendy Craig and Geoffrey Palmer (r). (Ceefax)
7.45 Around the World in 80 Days: Dateline to Deadline. Michael Palin nears the end of his journey with only 22 days left to travel across the United States and back to the Reform Club in London's Pall Mall (r). (Ceefax)
8.35 Film: Switching Channels (1988). Ted Kotcheff's feeble revamping of the classic newspaper comedy, *The Front Page*, here relocated in a television news station. Kathleen Turner plays the star reporter who decides to quit her job and get married to Christopher Reeve. Her former husband and producer (Burt Reynolds) has other plans. (Ceefax)
10.15 News and weather

No longer out of Africa: the Archbishop comes back (10.30pm)

10.30 Everyman: Father Huddleston Returns. Archbishop Trevor Huddleston, the anti-Apartheid campaigner, makes his first visit to South Africa after 35 years, at the invitation of the African National Congress
11.20 The Days and Nights of Molly Dodd: Here's Some Ducks All in a Row. American comedy series. Molly (Blair Brown) agrees to help out at Moss's bookstore
11.45 The Sky at Night: The Pole Star. Patrick Moore trains his telescope on Polaris, probably the most famous of celestial bodies. Wales: Business Matters
12.05am Mahabharat. Episode 60 of the 93-part epic from India. In Hindi with English subtitles (r). Wales: 12.15am-12.35 The Sky at Night
12.45 Weather

BBC 2

6.35 Open University: Culture and Belief in Europe 1450-1600 **7.00** Chemistry — Hidden Heavens **7.25** Chardin and the Female Image **7.50** The Universe Tomorrow **8.15** Engineering Mechanics **8.40** The Trouble with Science **9.05** The Traditions and the Environment **9.55** Arts — A New Museum **10.20** Harvesting the Sun **10.45** Maths — Modelling Drug Therapy **11.10** Survival in a Competitive Environment **11.35** Dating a Granite
12.00 Sign Extra: First Sight — We Shall Not Be Moved. As Britain's football stadia and terraces undergo a facelift, management and club supporters believe that the distinctive nature of the game could be in jeopardy. Antonia Higgs reports on the game's uncertain future. With signing and subtitles
12.25 Sunday Grandstand with Desmond Lynam. **12.35 World Athletics Championships.** Highlights of the second day in Tokyo. Including the men's 100m final and the women's marathon **12.45 The Belgian Grand Prix.** Round 11 of the Formula One championships from Spa Francorchamps **3.00 Swimming and Athletics.** The European Swimming Championships in Athens, plus further coverage of the World Athletics Championships in Tokyo
6.30 One Man and His Dog. Phil Drabble introduces the BBCtv International Sheepdog Championship. Four young shepherds compete for this year's Young Handler Championship
7.15 Okavango — Jewel of the Kalahari: Search For the Jewel. Continuing the season of highlights from the *Natural World* series; Barry Paine narrates the first of a three-part series on the wildlife which inhabits the Kalahari desert (r). (Ceefax)
8.10 Secrets of Calcutta.
● CHOICE: Ben (*Gandhi*) Kingsley narrates a portrait of Calcutta as seen through the eyes of five of its citizens, carefully chosen, as is the way with television documentaries, for comparison and contrast. At one extreme is Bob Wright OBE, a survivor of the Raj and a ringer for the actor Basil Radford, who runs a former British sporting club for the well-heeled. Among his customers are members of the Marxist government, all, according to Wright, jolly good chaps. The club's patrons certainly do not include Sunita Das, who lives on a pavement and scrapes a living running a tea stall with her hopeless husband and three children. The human stories are interlaced with grim statistics. Nearly half the 11 million citizens live on or below the poverty line. Wright reckons Calcutta is remarkable for a large city in having so few complainers. They have plenty to complain about
9.10 John Sessions's Tall Tales: There's Nowt So Queer As Folk. The actor-comedian in the fourth of six one-man plays, recorded at London's Half Moon Theatre (r)
9.35 Belgian Grand Prix. Highlights of the Formula One championships at Spa Francorchamps

Sisters at odds: Joan Crawford (left), Bette Davis

10.15 Moviedrome: Whatever Happened to Baby Jane? (1962, b/w).
● CHOICE: According to the director Robert Aldrich, "we thought that if you made a movie about the periphery of Hollywood and put in two stars who were getting old, people would read into it a secret showbiz mythology". The idea worked a treat. The old stars were Bette Davis and Joan Crawford, both needing a boost to faded careers and getting it in this gothic tale of two sisters living in a gloomy Hollywood mansion. Davis is Baby Jane, a former child star the public has long forgotten, Crawford a once successful actress whose career was ended by a car accident. Recriminations and jealousies stir the plot, which is embellished by two rich performances and every horror cliché that Aldrich can muster. Davis in particular relishes the melodramatic opportunities, helped by make-up which makes her look like a grotesque doll. Ends at **12.30am**

ITV

6.00 TV-am
9.25 Film: Big Claus and Little Claus (1988). Czech adaptation, with English dialogue, of the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale. Starring Stefan Reck and Istvan Hundyadkurti. Directed by Dušan Trančík
10.45 Link: USA 12 — Deaf Parents. Kevin Mulhern presents a heartening story about the McClelland family. Although both parents and two of their three children are profoundly deaf, they do not regard their handicap as a disability. With signing and subtitles
11.00 Morning Worship from St Philip and St Jacob Church in Bristol
12.00 An Invitation to Remember. Director Bryan Forbes and his actress wife Nanette Newman talk about their lives and careers
12.25 Way of the Lakes. Tony Warburton presents the seventh of a 12-part series on the Lake District **12.55 LWT News** and weather
1.00 ITN News with Fiona Armstrong. Weather
1.10 Breadline Britain: Out in the Cold. Charlotte Cornwell looks at the rise in poverty among the young unskilled (r)
1.40 The Bicentennial Concert. Native Australians Jason Donovan and Kylie Minogue are joined by Olivia Newton-John, Cliff Richard and John Denver, in a concert recorded in Sydney to celebrate Australia's 200-year history
2.40 Cartoon Time
2.50 The Spectacular World of Guinness Records
3.15 Film: The Old Man and the Sea (1990). Dreary small screen version of Ernest Hemingway's philosophical novella about an ageing Cuban fisherman (Anthony Quinn) and his stubborn battle with a giant marlin. Directed by Jud Taylor
5.05 The London Match. Jim Rosenthal presents highlights of a London derby match from the Barclay's League
6.05 ITN News with Fiona Armstrong. Weather **6.10 LWT News** and weather
6.15 Appeal. Deaf percussionist Evelyn Glennie appeals on behalf of Breakthrough, a charity working to break through the barrier between deaf and hearing people

The future of the Anglican Church: Dr George Carey (6.20pm)

6.20 Faith in the Future: Mission Impossible? Gavin Weightman concludes his study of Christianity in Britain by examining the prospects for traditional Christianity in a society which offers increasing religious choice. Dr George Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury, talks about his plans for the Church of England. (Oracle)
7.15 Watching: Flitting. Tepid sitcom about a feuding couple, whose on-off romance will have to be put on hold until the next series. Starring Emma Wray and Paul Bown (r)
7.45 Great Expectations. Concluding John Goldsmith's sympathetic and well-crafted adaptation of the Charles Dickens novel. Magwitch (Anthony Hopkins) becomes involved in a fight with Compeyson (Sean Arnold) as he makes a final bid for freedom. (Oracle)
8.45 ITN News with Fiona Armstrong. Weather **9.00 LWT Weather**
9.10 Film: On Golden Pond (1981). Henry and Jane Fonda are poignantly cast as an estranged father and daughter in Ernest Thompson's adaptation of his Broadway play. Norman Thayer and his wife Ethel (Katherine Hepburn) are spending their 48th summer on Golden Pond, New England, when the arrival of their daughter causes a conflict of emotions. A old-fashioned sentimental wallow, sustained by fine performances from the veteran stars, both of whom won Oscars. It was Henry Fonda's last film, completed only months before his death. Directed by Mark Rydell
11.10 Sex Now: 21st Century Sex. Will Aids make sex redundant or change our approach for the better? Last in the series
11.40 The River Thames: Treacherous Tides. The people of Canvey Island in Essex recall the 1953 flood (r)
12.15am The ITV Chart Show (r)
1.10 New Music. More celebrity interviews and pop videos
2.15 Hodson Confidential: Love Triangles. Philip Hodson and guests talks about sex and emotions
2.40 Police Precinct: The Hostess. American drama series
3.45 Film: They Made Him a Criminal (1979). Violent Italian-Russian thriller about a taxi driver who gets caught up in a political struggle in Portugal. With English dialogue. Starring Giancarlo Giannini and Ornella Muti. Directed by Grigorij Ciukhrai
5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport (r) **7.00 Eureeka's Castle 7.30 Alfred J. Kwak 8.00 Sharky and George 8.30 Raider of the South Seas.** Seafaring children's drama **8.55 Kid 'n' Play**
9.25 The Sword of Tipu Sultan. Historical Indian drama series. In Hindu with English subtitles
10.00 Dispatches: The Provoked Wife. As Sara Thornton continues her hunger strike in Holloway prison, a timely repeat of a programme which looks at women who are provoked by sustained domestic violence into killing their husbands (r)
10.45 Dennis. Cartoon about a mischievous tearaway
11.00 Owl TV. Michaela Strachan visits a black bear cub and its keeper on the Isle of Wight (r). (Teletext)
11.30 The Lone Ranger (b/w) **12.00 The Waltons: The Victims**
1.00 Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea. Aquatic adventure series
2.00 Film: A Place in the Sun (1951, b/w). Carefully made version of Theodore Dreiser's novel starring Montgomery Clift as a social climbing factory worker whose relationship with a rich beauty (Elizabeth Taylor) leads to the death of Shelley Winters. Directed by George Stevens
4.15 Home is Best. Yugoslavian Josko Marusic's surreal animation
4.25 Books. Literary quiz **4.55 News Summary** and weather
5.00 Family Pride. Birmingham-based Asian drama serial
5.30 Passion Play. A portrait of Derry City and Glasgow Rangers football clubs, whose traditions are respectively rooted in the Catholic and Protestant religions (r)
6.30 The Cosby Show. American domestic comedy with Bill Cosby
7.00 Equinox: Spacesuit.
● CHOICE: Early in the next century, so the experts tell us, human beings will be living on Mars. Whole families will go there on holiday. Goodbye Benidorm and Disneyworld. But before that can happen someone is going to have to come up with a spacesuit that is not awkward, bulky and too heavy to move around in. The apparel which has sufficed for 30 years of American space missions will have to be rethought. Patrick Uden's clear and well-organised documentary looks at the some of the options. One is to revive the long discarded idea of "hard" suits, which may make their wearers look like robots but have the advantage of being producible in large numbers on computerised machine tools. The "soft" suits which have so far been in favour are stitched together, all eleven layers of them, by hand. But the ultimate in light and flexible spacewear may be a suit that looks like a bodystocking. (Teletext)
8.00 By Herself: Dear Papa. In the last of four dramas on the elder women, a mother (Anne Jackson) and her daughter (Roberta Wallach) remember a man known as "Papa" to one and "Grampa" to the other

Countering the Reformation: Ignatius of Loyola (8.30pm)

8.30 The Company: Inigo and His Jesuits.
● CHOICE: Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits and born 500 years ago, is the subject of a documentary presented in his best actorly style by Cyril Cusack. If he has a script, Cusack does his best to disguise the fact with a delivery that is so casual that he often neglects to look at the camera. We meet Cusack at Stonyhurst College in northwest England, one of the many Jesuit educational legacies, and are transported back to the 16th century for a potted history of the Reformation and how Ignatius and his disciples fought back. After Cusack's mannered introduction it is a relief to switch to the forthright contributions of the writer Paul Johnson. After saying useful things about the historical achievements of the Jesuits, Johnson goes on to accuse today's members of the order of having fallen for "foolish left-wing fads and fantasies". A Jesuit priest prefers to call it social concern
9.30 Go Fishing: Kenya, Part Two. The final programme in the angling series. John Wilson baits the fastest fish in the sea, the sailfish
10.00 Film on Four: Reefer and the Model (1988). Witty comedy-thriller following the criminal escapades of Reefer (Ian McElhinney), a former IRA member, and his friends, who become involved with a former prostitute (Carol Scanlon). Directed by Joe Comerford. (Teletext)
11.45 The Street: Ask the Captain. American police drama
12.15am Fontamara. Second of a four-part Italian drama series set in a poor Italian village during Mussolini's early years. With English subtitles. Ends at **1.10**

ITV VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: 12.00 Journeys I 12.30pm Farming Diary 1.10 Goals Galore 1.35 The 12 Tasks of Asterix 3.05 Cartoon Time 3.25 The Spectacular World of Guinness Records 3.50 The Old Man and the Sea 5.35-6.05 Heirloom 9.10-11.10 Film: The Four Seasons 11.40 Film: The Girl on the Late, Late Show 1.00am Elvis: Good Rockin Tonight 1.30 CinemAttractions 2.00 Film: The Chinese Connection 3.35 Vivid 4.05 Americas Top Ten 4.35-5.30 The Human Face of Hong Kong

BORDER

As London except: 12.30pm Gardening Time 1.10 Whose the Boss? 1.40 Heidi 2.10 Highway to Heaven 3.05 Rugby League Live 5.00-6.05 Scotsport 11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.35am Quiz Night 1.00 Police Precinct 2.00 Film: Hell Divers 4.05 The ITV Chart Show 4.55-5.30 Jobfinder

CENTRAL

As London except: 12.00 Encounter 12.30pm Gardening Time 12.55-1.00 Central News 1.10 International Sportsworld 2.10 The Making of Destination Docklands 2.50 Film: The Old Man and the Sea 4.35 Central Sports Special 5.35-6.05 Wheel of Fortune 11.40 Film: The Man With Bogart's Face 1.40am Prisoner: Cell Block H 2.35 The Night Caller 4.05 The ITV Chart Show 5.00-5.30 Central Jobfinder '91

GRANADA

As London except: 12.25pm-1.00 Young Up Front 1.10 Cartoon 1.20 Santa Barbara 2.35 The Spectacular World of Guinness Records 3.05 Rugby League Live 5.10-6.05 Coronation Street 11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.35am Quiz Night 1.00 Police Precinct 2.00 Film: Hell Divers 4.05 The ITV Chart Show 4.55-5.30 Jobfinder

HTV WEST

As London except: 12.00 The Entertainers 12.30pm West Country Farming 12.55-1.00 HTV News 1.10 Heidi 2.00 Looking Back 2.30 HTV Newsweek 3.05 Film: The Old Man and the Sea 4.50 Something to Treasure 5.20 International Yacht Racing 5.50-6.05 Cartoontime 11.40-12.15am Katts and Dog

HTV WALES

As HTV West except: 12.30pm-12.55 Survival — The First 30 Years 2.30-3.05 Exploration and Adventure

TSW

As London except: 12.00 Cover Story 12.30pm TSW Farming Week 12.55-1.00 TSW News 1.10 Coronation Street 2.05 Hard Time on Planet Earth 3.05 Film: The Old Man and the Sea 4.50 Cartoon Time 5.05 Off the Peg 5.35-6.05 A Place of Heaven 11.40 Philip Marlowe: Private Eye 12.35am Quiz Night 1.00 Police Precinct 2.00 Film: Hell Divers 4.05 The ITV Chart Show 4.55-5.30 TSW Jobfinder

TVS

As London except: 12.33pm-1.00 Jack Thompson Down Under 1.10 An Englishman's Home 1.55 The Count of Monte Cristo 2.55 Cartoon 3.05-6.05 Film: Harem 11.40-12.15am The Human Factor

TYNE TEES

As London except: 12.00-1.00pm Beyond 2000 1.10 Highway to Heaven 2.10 The Back Page 2.35 Northern Life Review 3.05 Rugby League 5.10-6.05 Coronation Street 11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.35am Quiz Night 1.00 Police Precinct 2.00 Film: Hell Divers 4.05 The ITV Chart Show 4.55-5.30 Jobfinder

ULSTER

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardening Time 1.10 American Century 2.10 Make It Pay 2.40 Arabesque 4.35 Race Ireland 5.10-6.05 Coronation Street 11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.35am Quiz Night 1.00 Police Precinct 2.00 Hell Divers 4.05 The ITV Chart Show 4.55-5.30 Jobfinder

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 12.00 Peppino 12.25pm Goals on Sunday 12.50-1.00 Calendar News 1.10 Wonderful World of Disney 2.10 The Adventure Series 3.05 Film: The Old Man and the Sea 4.50 Cartoon Time 5.05-6.05 The Count of Monte Cristo 11.40 Monte Carlo 1.20am The Twilight Zone 1.45 The ITV Chart Show 2.45 Stephen King's This is Horror 3.10 The Forum Presents 4.10 The Chef's Apprentice 4.40-5.30 Jobfinder

S4C

Starts: 9.30am Owl TV 10.00 Dispatches 10.45 Voyage to the Bottom of The Sea 11.45 Painted Tales 12.00 The Waltons 12.55pm The Three Stooges 1.20 Piston 1.30 Europe Express 2.00 Fragile Earth 3.00 Travellers' Tales 4.00 Film: All This and Heaven Too 6.35 The Marshall Chronicles 7.05 Newyddion 7.10 O Vaughan I Fynwy 8.00 Hel Straeon 8.30 Datganiad gan Gwynne Howell 9.00 Troan 9.45 Dire Straits Calling Elvis 10.00 Film: Reefer and The Model 11.45 The Street 12.15am Fontamara 1.10 Diwedd

RTE 1

Starts: 12.00pm Service of Holy Communion 12.45 Crusade in the Pacific 1.15 Little House on the Prairie 2.30 News; Natural Selection 3.05 Sign of the Times 3.35 Ronan on the Road 4.05 Film: Raise the Titanic 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 Six-one Sunday 6.30 Disney Cartoon 6.45 Torch 7.15 Black Stallion 7.40 The Wonder Years 8.05 Murder She Wrote 9.00 News 9.20 Film: To Race the Wind 11.00 Cur agus Cuiteamh 11.30 News

SATELLITE

SKY ONE

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites
6.00am Bailey's Bird 6.30 Castaway 7.00 Fun Factory 11.00 Hour of Power 12.00 That's Incredible 1.00pm The New Adventures of Wonder Woman 2.00 All American Wrestling 3.00 Those Amazing Animals 4.00 The Love Boat 5.00 Hey Dad 5.30 Hart to Hart 6.30 The Simpsons 7.00 21 Jump Street 8.00 Master of Ballantrae 11.00 Falcon Crest 12.00 Entertainment Tonight 1.00am Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites
5.00am Sky News Sunrise 5.30 Target 6.00 Sky News Sunrise 9.30 Sky News Dayline 10.30 Those Were The Days 11.00 Sky News Dayline 11.30 Holiday Destinations 12.00 Sky News 12.30pm The National Gallery: A Private View 1.00 Sky News 1.30 Target 2.00 Sky News 2.30 Roving Report 3.00 Sky News 3.30 The National Gallery 8.00 Sky News Tonight 8.30 Target 9.00 Sky World News Tonight 10.30 Roving Report 11.00 Sky World News Tonight 11.30 the National Gallery 12.00 Sky World News 12.30am Target 1.00 Sky Newswatch
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SKY MOVIES+

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites
6.00am Showcase
8.00 The Accidental Tourist (1988): A comedy-drama starring William Hurt as the husband divorced from wife Kathleen Turner who meets dog-trainer Geena Davis
10.10 Rocky III (1982): Rocky loses heart and his nerve when his trainer dies and feels unable to go on. Starring Sylvester Stallone
12.00 Who Framed Roger Rabbit (1988): Bob Hoskins plays second fiddle to the animated rodent innocently accused of murder
2.00pm Cocoon: The Return (1988): The senior citizens face a choice: return to earth or remain on the planet Antarea
4.00 Rockula (1990): A teenage vampire tries to lose his virginity 6.00 Earth Girls Are Easy (1989): Aliens come to earth for a complete makeover by beautician Geena Davis
7.40 Projector
8.00 Worth Winning (1990): A putative bigamist finds that three women are just too much to handle. Farce starring Mark Harmon
10.00 Lock Up (1989): Convict Sylvester Stallone is transferred from an open prison to a high-security hellhole where his troubles soon begin
11.50 Nightmare Beach (1990): Bizarre killings plague a beach resort. Starring Nicholas de Toth
1.25am The Blob (1988): An update of the 1958 original where a government experiment goes horribly wrong
3.00 Far From Home (1989): Drew Barrymore cannot make up her mind between two teenage boys
4.30 Bridge To Silence (1988): A partially-deaf woman tries to rebuild her life after the car accident that kills her husband

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites
6.15am Phantom Lady (1944 b/w): Forties thriller about a husband falsely accused of murder
8.15 Yogi Bear And The Invasion Of The Space Bears: Yogi and Boo must thwart an alien plot to take over the world
10.15 The Hireling (1973): Robert Shaw and Sarah Miles conduct a love affair across the class barriers of twenties England
12.05pm Harlow (1965): Biopic of the thirties star blonde bombshell who died before she reached 30
2.10 The Life and Death Of Colonel Blimp (1943): Condemned during World War II as unpatriotic, this film charts the life of a British officer
4.15 The Tales Of Beatrix Potter (1971): An interpretation of the children's favourites from dancers of the Royal Ballet
6.00 Henry V (1989): Kenneth Branagh takes the role made famous by Laurence Olivier in this screen adaptation of Shakespeare's classic.
8.15 Old Gringo (1989): Based on the novel by Carlos Fuentes. Jane Fonda and Jimmy Smits fall in love in the middle of a Mexican Revolution; Gregory Peck offers advice
10.15 Maybe Baby (1988): An unplanned pregnancy disrupts perfect student Molly Ringwald's life and proves an abrupt initiation into the adult world. She and her boyfriend try to work it out
11.55 Sixteen Candles (1984): Sweet sixteen means the right age for affairs of the heart. Comedy
1.30am The Longest Night (1972): The daughter of a wealthy couple is kidnapped. Thriller with David Janssen and James Farentino 2.45 The Lady In White (1988): Nothing to do with Wilkie Collins's similar tale. A Hallowe'en spent in a closet provides many horrors for Lukas Haas. Ends at 4.30

SKY SPORTS

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites
8.00am Australian Football 10.00 Test Match Cricket 11.30 Wrestling 1.00pm Assurance League Cricket 6.15 National Junior Tennis 8.00 Italian Football 9.00 US Tennis 10.00 Scottish Premier League Football 12.00 US Tennis 1.00am-2.00 Italian Football

EUROSPORT

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites
8.00am Trans World Sport 9.00 Athletics from Tokyo 4.00pm Swimming from Athens 5.30 Highlights of the Athletics from Tokyo 6.30 Motocycling Grand Prix 7.30 Highlights of the Cycling Championships 9.00 Swimming from Athens 9.30 Athletics Highlights 10.30-12.00 Motorcycling

SCREENSPORT

● Via the astra satellite
12.30am Motor Sports 1.30 World Sport Special 2.00 US PRO Box 3.30 Motor Sport 4.30 Stock Car Racing 5.30 Tennis 7.00 Gatorade Challenge 8.00 British Touring Car Challenge 8.30 Equestrianism 9.00 All Japan Sports Prototype Challenge 10.00 Motor Sport 11.00 World Canoeing Championships 12.00 World Sport Special 1.00 Rugby World Cup 2.00 Tennis 3.30 Revs 4.00 Rallycross 5.00 Golf Tour 7.00 Tennis 9.00 US PGA Golf 11.00 Bowling 12-1.00am Motorsport

LIFESTYLE

● Via the Astra satellite
12.00 Annie Oakley 12.30pm Smothers Brothers 1.00 Three For The Road 1.55 Burke's Law 2.50 Spain Spain International Cuisine 3.05 Roller Derby 4.00 Green Hornet 4.25 Dick Tracey's G-Man 6.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 10.00 satellite Jukebox

MTV

● Via the Astra satellite
Twenty-four hours of rock and pop

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University (FM only)
7.00 Morning Concert: Burgon (Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis); Vivaldi (Concerto in F, RV 539); Walton (Suite, Escape Me Never)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Fauré (Pavane, Op 50), Hoffstetter, attrib. Haydn (String Quartet in F, Op 3 No 5), Gade (Symphony No 6 in G minor); Bruckner (Ecce sacerdos magnus)
8.30 News
8.35 Maestro de' Concerti: Vivaldi (Cantata: Fonti del pianto, RV 656: Tania d'Althann with the Accademia Claudio Monteverdi; Concerto in A for violin, cello and strings, RV 546: Monica Huggett and Timothy Mason with the Raglan Baroque Players under Nicholas Kraemer; Cantata: Lungi del vago, RV 680: the Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra
9.15 Violin bel Canto (4 of 6): Alfredo Campoli's recorded legacy. Saint-Saëns (Introduction and Rondo capriccioso); Lalo (Symphonie espagnole); Bach, arr. Franco (Arioso); Kreisler (Polichinelle—Serenade; La Chasse; La Gitana)
10.15 Prom Talk: Peter Paul Nash talks about his new symphony. Plus a look behind the scenes at the Berlin PO and an interview with Joshua Bell
10.45 A Modest Profession: The recorded legacy of the works of conductor Antal Dorati performed by the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra: Weber (Overture: Der Freischutz); Liszt (A Faust Symphony, Part 1); Schumann (Piano Concerto in A minor); Smetana (Tabor; Blanik: Má Vlast)
12.30pm Replay: Philip French delves into the BBC sound archives. This week he unearths W. Bridges-Adams looking at Harley Granville-Barker (first broadcast in 1953)
1.00 News
1.05 Your Concert Choice: Grace Williams (Carillons); Scott Joplin (Solace—A Mexican Serenade); P. D. Q. Bach (Missa Hilarious SN2O); Koechlin (Sonata for two flutes); Gershwin (Piano Concerto in F)
2.30 A Summer Wedding
● CHOICE: Little did Cosimo de Medici and Eleanora da Toledo think when they wed in Florence, in magnificent style, that 452 years later, it would happen all over again, albeit on a more modest scale, on Radio 3. For this re-creation, writer Michelene Wandor and music producer Graham Dixon combined forces. Luckily, much detailed documentation exists about the music and entertainment provided for the nuptials. The music is performed today by Musica Antiqua of London; Edward Petherbridge (as Cosimo) and Emily Richard (Eleanora) verbally weave the gorgeous tapestry; and there is a slapstick comedy of head-aching complexity and of little obvious relevance
4.00 BBC Scottish SO under Thea Musgrave performs Musgrave's Orfeo II: Violin Concerto and Peripeteia
5.00 Tuning Up: Nicholas Daniel, oboe, Joy Farrall, clarinet, and Julius Drake, piano, perform Poulenc, Head, Gilson and Dvořák (r)
6.00 The North German Organ (4 of 6): Music by Samuel Scheidt, an 17th-century keyboard virtuso from Halle, north Germany, played on the organ at Marienhafe by Graham Barber (Kyrie, Credo in unum Deum; Christe qui lux es; Echo ad manuale duplum; Wie schön leuchtet)
7.00 Proms 1991: live from the Albert Hall, London. The Glyndebourne Festival Opera and Chorus with the London Philharmonic under Andrew Davis perform La Clemenza di Tito, Mozart's opera in two acts **8.15** The Case for Clemenza: Tim Carter discusses the background and the alleged difficultieswhich surround Mozart's last opera **8.35** La Clemenza di Tito (cont)
9.50 Sunday Play: The Daughter-in-Law. D. H. Lawrence's passionate study of marital conflict and motherly love. With Samantha Bond
11.30 Early Flute Ensembles: Nancy Hadden, Rachel Beckett, Neil McLaren and Janet See, using Renaissance flutes, play arrangements of chansons by composers including Sermisy, Jannequin, Gombert, Certon **12.00-12.05am** News

RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News; Weather **6.10** Prelude: A selection of music (s) **6.30** News; Morning Has Broken **6.55** Weather **7.00** News **7.10** Sunday Papers **7.15** The Living World (r) **7.40** Sunday: Religious news and views, incl **7.55** Weather **8.00** News **8.10** Sunday Papers **8.50** Week's Good Cause: Gordon Kaye speaks on behalf of the Disabled Housing Trust **8.55** Weather
9.00 News
9.10 Sunday Papers **9.15** Letter from America by Alistair Cooke (r)
9.30 Morning Service from All Saints Church, Ballymena, Co Antrim. Celebrant and preacher Canon Raymond Fitzpatrick (s)
10.15 The Archers: Omnibus edition
11.15 News Stand: A personal review of current magazines and periodicals by Louise Levene
11.30 Pick of the Week with Gill Pyrah (s) (r)
12.15pm Desert Island Discs: The castaway is the Liverpudlian playwright and scriptwriter Alan Bleasdale (s)
12.55 Weather **1.00** The World This Weekend
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time: A postbag edition with Clay Jones and experts Dr Stefan Buczacki, Fred Downham and Sue Phillips answering listeners' questions
2.30 Sunday Playhouse: Clap Hands Here Comes Charlie, by Brian Freemantle. Charlie is alive and on the run but MI5 wants him back while the CIA wants him dead (s) (r)
4.00 News; Arthur—the King: The epic story of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table turns its attention to Lancelot and Guenever. With Nicholas Farrell and Jill Balcon (4 of 7) (s) (r)
4.47 Time for Verse: American beat poet Lawrence Ferlinghetti reads Apple and Snakes. With Carol Ann Duffy (s)
5.00 News; Coastline (New Series): Cliff Michelmore journeys across the Menai Straits from Conwy in North Wales to the Isle of Anglesey (s)
5.40 First Person: Julie Everton takes to the football terraces to see if there is a place for women in our national game (s) (r) **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather **6.00** News
6.15 Feedback: Chris Dunkley of *The Financial Times* airs your letters and comments on BBC programming (r)
6.30 Present Imperfect? Nine Years and Counting: Is it Too Late?
● CHOICE: Has there been too much worried preoccupation with the imminence of the new millennium in Sir Roy Strong's mainly architectural series which ends tonight? It's not going to be the point of no return, and this Cinderella doesn't *have* to be home by midnight to avoid calamity. None the less, Sir Roy cannot get the year 2000 out of his head, or the nine run-up years which he sees as providing the challenge to which architects should rise. His fellow knight, Richard Rogers, has risen to it already, with his Lloyd's building in London. Sir Roy visits it tonight
7.00 In Business (r)
7.30 A Good Read: Edward Blishen invites Brenda Dean and John Pilger to talk about four favourite paperbacks (s) (r)
8.00 Punters: Listeners report on a variety of issues (r)
8.40 Reading Aloud: In Isolation. Barry Chamish looks at sensory deprivation
9.00 News; Enquire Within: Dilly Barlow tackles questions sent in by listeners (r)
9.15 The Natural History Programme (r) **9.59** Weather **10.00** News
10.15 View from the Cage: Radio montage of the sounds of Regent's Park during a Bank Holiday weekend (s) (r)
11.00 Antony Hopkins Talking About Music (s) (r)
11.30 Seeds of Faith: John Coutts looks at the spiritual meditation of four noted journal writers. This week he focuses his attention on Canon Subir Biswas (s)
12.00-12.30 News, incl **12.27** Weather
12.33 Shipping Forecast

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RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW 4.00am Paul McKenna (FM only until 6.00) 7.00 The Bruno and Liz Breakfast Show 10.00 Dave Lee Travis 12.30pm Pick of the Pops with Alan Freeman 2.30 The Radio 1 Sunday Roadshow with Mike Reed from Haydock Park Racecourse, Liverpool 4.30 The UK Top 40 with Mark Goodier 7.00 Annie Nightingale 9.00 Andy Kershaw 11.00 John Peel (FM only after 12.00) 2.00am-4.00 Tim Smith (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo 4.00am David Allen: Early Show 6.00 Graham Knight 7.30 Don Maclean 9.05 Brian Kay: Melodies For You 11.00 Desmond Carrington 1.00pm Braden from Breakfast to Bedtime 3.00 Alan Dell 4.00 The Beautiful Ballad Years 4.30 Sing Something Simple 5.00 Dennis McCarthy 7.00 Max Jaffa at the Grand Hotel. Ian Wallace introduces a tribute to Max Jaffa. 8.00 Cantabile at the Mill. Singing group Cantabile are joined by special guest Richard Stilgoe. 8.30 Sunday Half Hour 9.00 Alan Keith 10.00 Glenn Campbell presents the A-Z of Country Music 12.05am Seven Deadly Singsongs 1.00 Colin Berry with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

RADIO 5

6.00am World Service; News and 24 Hours 6.30 Meridian Reports 7.00 News-desk 7.30 Sunday Edition World Athletics Spsical with Barry, incl at 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 10.00 News; Sport 10.30 Waterlines: Cliff Michelmore looks at boating and water sports 11.00 News; Sport; World Athletics Championships 12.00 News ;Sport 12.03pm Open University 12.22 Education Reform in New Zealand 12.41 The New Information Technology 1.00 News;Sport 1.03 Feminist Debates: Psychoanalysis 1.22 The Second Reform Act 1.41 The Romantic Poets 2.00 News; Sport; Sunday Sport Tokyo 6.00 Sunday Sports Report 7.20 Open University with Education for adults: The Soviet Experience 8.00 Sounds Technical 8.20 Arts Review 91 8.40 Hume and Smith on Religion 9.00 Cities: A Student's Guide to Bristol 9.30 Dragnet:The Big Child 10.00 Sport 10.10-12.10am Across the Line, incl 11.00, 12.00 Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. 5.30am Short Story 5.45News headlines, in English and French 5.47British Press Review 5.52 World Business Review 6.00 World News 6.30 Londres Matin 7.00 Newsdesk 7.30 Jazz for the Asking 8.00 World News 8.09 24 Hours followed by News Summary 8.30 From Our Own Correspondent 8.50 Write On... 9.00 World News 9.09 Words of Faith 9.15 Music with Matthew 10.00 World News 10.15 Short Story 10.30 B-side Beat 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.01 Science in Action 11.30 Londres Midi 11.45 Mittagsmagazin 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30am The Ken Bruce Show 1.00 News Summary 1.01 Play of the Week: Night and Day 2.00 Newshour 3.01 The Poisoned Cup 3.30 Anything Goes 4.00 World News 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News and Features in German 5.00 World and British News 5.15 BBC English 5.30 Londres Soir 6.14 Club 648 6.30 News and Features in German 8.00 World News 8.15 Londres Dernière 8.30 In Praise of God 9.00 World News 9.09 Jazz Now and Then 9.25 Words of Faith 9.30 Slightly Foxed 10.00 Newshour 11.00 World News 11.05 Music with Matthew 11.50 Sports Roundup 12.05 World Business Review 12.15am Letter from America 12.30 The Poisoned Cup 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 In Praise of God 2.01 TBA 2.45 A Mystical Music: 5 3.00 Newsdesk 3.30 Composer of the Month: Carl Nielsen 4.00 World News 4.15 Anything Goes 4.45 News and Press Review in German

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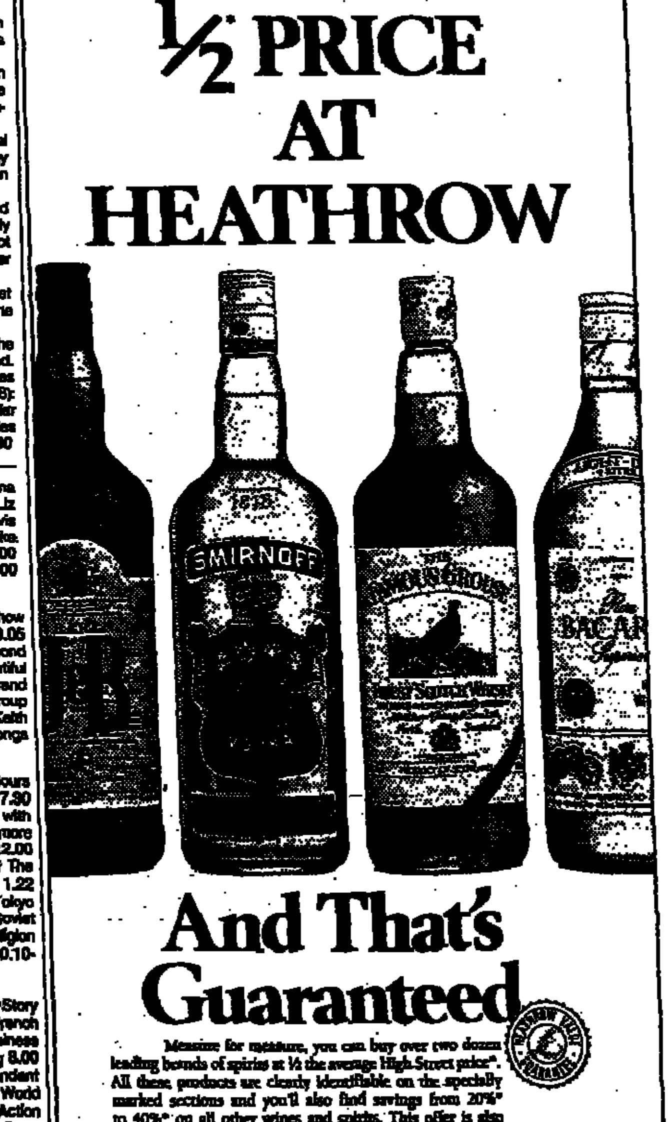

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Bad day to toe party's old line

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had come from the huge black and yellow building, where there was evidence of people scurrying about inside.

Moscow city council sent a dozen of its wildest and most radical deputies to try to persuade the crowd to move on, and to suggest that they might like to demonstrate against the city police headquarters instead.

Meekly, the mob followed, carrying at least once black anarchist flag and a banner commemorating Poland's Solidarity. Having expended some of their energy on the mile-long walk, they dutifully chanted way outside the police building.

Just as the city councillors suggested, they bellowed demands for the instatement of a popular liberal officer as Moscow police chief, and for the release from a KGB prison of Valeria Novodvorskaya, a fiery civil rights campaigner who has been jailed for calling Mr Gorbachev a fascist.

Lo and behold, both demands were met a few hours later. Yesterday was a bad day for Communists, but a day of miracles for everybody else.

The Russian white-blue-red tricolour flew over the Kremlin yesterday for the first time since the 1917 Bolshevik revolution. It flew over the palace housing President Yeltsin's office, 100 yards from the Soviet red flag marking President Gorbachev's rooms.

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

A big day for sport includes cards for 11 race meetings, latest from the world athletics championship, the Test match and a report on Nigel Mansell's bid to close the gap on Ayrton Senna tomorrow

Plus: Failed the A-level? Or has the A-level failed? Times Education reports

TONY WHITE

Lost in his work: a gardener at Hever castle, Kent, trims the maze planted by the first Viscount Astor. The American-born millionaire started the maze in 1903 while redesigning the gardens. Despite the maze's recent origin a myth persists that Henry VIII once chased Anne Boleyn round it

Mazes celebrate puzzling popularity

By JOE JOSEPH

OF ALL the myths surrounding mazes, the biggest is that if you always turn left, or always turn right, you will solve the puzzle. You will provide a service to mankind if you berate severely the next person who repeats this nonsense to you.

The first rule of mazes is: do not enter a maze unless it has beer stalls and sandwich bars set up inside to nourish lost wanderers. The second rule is: always carry a hedge trimmer, in case of real desperation.

Mazes either fascinate or drive you bonkers. Most people adequately fulfil their desire to get lost by driving round the car parks of out-of-town shopping malls looking for the exit. If you told such people that paying to walk around a grid of dead-ends was fun, they would selflessly stay at home and let others go out and enjoy themselves. But couch potatoes are becoming a minority in Britain, which has gone mad for mazes. In fact, 1991 is Year of the Maze, to mark the 300th anniversary of the grandaddy of mazes at Hampton Court.

There are more than 100 mazes in Britain compared with only about 40 a decade ago. Many are traditional hedge mazes, but there are also some shaped like trains and others shaped like giant feet. A maze celebrating the Beatles' Yellow Submarine was built for the 1984 Liverpool Garden Festival.

The myth that Henry VIII chased Anne Boleyn through the yew maze at Hever castle persists even though the maze was not created until 1903 by an American millionaire. New mazes that have opened this year include a hedge maze at Blenheim Palace, a Magic Mirror Maze at Wookey Hole Caves in Somerset, and a brick-and-turf maze in the Elizabethan gardens of Parham Park, near Pulborough in West Sussex.

A maze museum opened recently alongside the ten-year-old Jubilee Maze in Symonds Yat, Hereford and Worcester. It charts the history of mazes, which goes back at least 3,200 years, the many styles, and the debt that is owed to maze design by computer microchips (and, thus, a big chunk of modern civilisation, if you think of microwave ovens and high-precision nuclear weapons as civilisation).

"England is definitely the maze capital of the world," says Lindsay Heyes, who runs the Jubilee Maze and the Museum of Mazes with his brother, Edward. "Japan used to be. They had a brief affair with them, but they were very serious things. You timed yourself and raced around the maze, like a laboratory rat, trying to solve it. Whoever scored the fastest time won a prize."

He adds: "There *is* a knack to solving mazes if you're being single-minded about it. When I went to Longleat House in Wiltshire, which has the most complicated hedge maze in the world, I solved it in 6½ minutes. On the way out my wife distracted me and it took me 2½ hours to get out."

Business is booming. The Jubilee Maze attracts 100,000 visitors a year, including hundreds of school parties. Its shop sells maze puzzles that are fiendishly complicated.

The Jubilee Maze itself, however, although marked out in 8ft-high hedges, is apparently not that difficult. The Heyes brothers designed it themselves, based on a 600-year-old pattern. Most people take five to 15 minutes to get to the middle of it. Of course, some take longer.

A useful aspect of the Jubilee Maze is an elevated platform to one side that provides three services. It allows you to see the shape of the maze and to realise how economical mazes are: you can amuse dozens of people in the space of a couple of tennis courts. The second service is that it acts as a sort of lifeguard platform to locate the lost. The most enjoyable service it renders is giving you the armchair pleasure of watching other people go dizzy.

Seriously rich surprise for a Rolls fancier

POSTCARD from PEBBLE BEACH 24 AUG 1991 CALIFORNIA

THE first man Dick Solove met on holiday pressed a note into his hand. It was an offer of $1.3 million for his vintage Rolls-Royce.

Such open horse-trading would be considered vulgar among the usually discreet circle of Rolls-Royce owners who this week held their annual convention. After all, talk of money sets prices that they have to meet when buying and may attract unwelcome attention from the Internal Revenue Service.

This, however, was Pebble Beach, California, where money talks louder than the garrulous women who stalk golf fairways jangling armfuls of gold jewellery. Mr Solove was surprised, but not shocked, by the blatant offer, which he quietly turned down.

If, however, deals are to be done, Pebble Beach is the perfect setting. The Lodge is the place to see and be seen. It sits on one of the most sought-after pieces of real estate in the United States, surrounded by forests interspersed with homes that start at seven-figure dollar sums.

The rocky bay is the expensive filling sandwiched between Monterey, the old capital of California and home of John Steinbeck, and Carmel, home of Clint Eastwood. One of Eastwood's decrees when he was mayor forbade the eating of ice cream on the streets of Carmel.

Rooms at The Lodge start at $230 (£139) a day, and rise to $1,650 (£1,000) for a suite. A round of golf on the neatly-clipped Pebble Beach fairways is $150 (£90). The Lodge's ornate dining room is an unhappy marriage of pseudo-European snobbery and American glitz. A ice sculpture on the lunch buffet table drips into trays of locally-caught giant prawns. Eric Clapton, the rock star, went curiously unnoticed by the elderly faces who made up the vast majority of customers. They were America's seriously rich.

The Rolls-Royce Owners Club of the USA is, with 6,300 members, the biggest Rolls owners' club outside Britain. Some do not have a car, but others, such as Dick Solove, who has five, own many.

This week, Mr Solove, from Ohio, has been showing off his 1910 Silver Ghost "balloon car", owned by Charles Rolls himself and used to carry his hot-air balloon. Mr Solove, a property developer, keeps his cars in a specially-built, humidity-controlled garage and welcomes visitors to parties to view them with cocktails poured from a cabinet with doors shaped like a Rolls-Royce radiator grill.

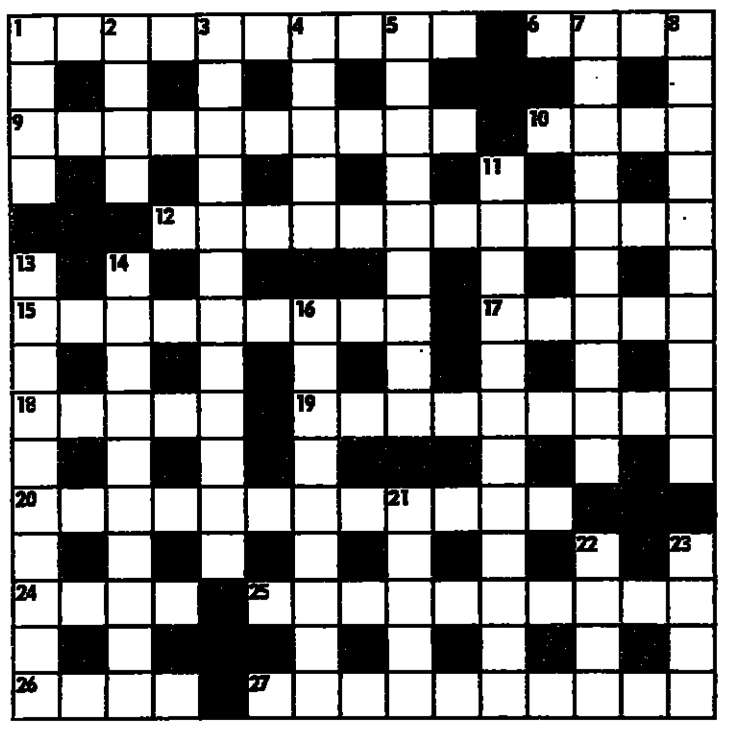
When Mr Solove wanted a "runabout", he visited Rolls-Royce's factory at Crewe, Cheshire, to supervise the design of the interior and trimmings, a job that took the factory 13 months. The tinkering was worth it, he says.

Tinkering, even with Rolls-Royce craftmanship, is what many owners love to do. One club member, an owner of about two dozen, spent $100,000 on a saloon model and promptly chopped off the top to make it a convertible, building the canopy with wood from his Connecticut lumberyard.

Owners travelled last week in long convoys over as much as 1,000 miles to Pebble Beach. For some, driving a Rolls in drisly, damp California was clearly to be reckoned with. One car was seen sweeping out of The Lodge with the Flying Lady atop its radiator clad in a tiny fur wrap.

KEVIN EASON

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,693



ACROSS

1 Carl's acted in play "The tangled string" (4,6).
6 Diplomacy changed direction, we hear (4).
9 Restrictions damaged part of commercial empire (5,5).
10 A nymph to follow slavishly (4).
12 Harsh beard – it is reduced to a whisker (5-7).
15 Playing partners holding king and joker (9).
17 Country's name included in important article (5).
18 Not the Italian king's daughter – she's beyond help (5).
19 I get regular payments – an exotic night with a good book (9).
20 Dimensions of certain people overwhelmed by things to eat (12).
24 Not entirely regretting downfall (4).
25 Drifter involved with CIA related killing (10).
26 To some extent seed gets an advantage (4).
27 Thief primarily breaks into home to steal the object of one's love (5-5).

DOWN

1 Fellow has to stand up (4).
2 Heard 22 drop (4).
3 Quarrelsome one quits espionage agency over intelligence about ship (12).
4 Bill, a rising player (5).
5 Poet's expression of surprise about black boy (4,5).
7 Non-essential note accompanying volume I on teeth (10).
8 Cleaner used excessively in the past (10).
11 Park edict – it's broken in a National Park (4,8).
13 Opossum may be in difficulties (2,1,3,4).
14 Disputing a proverb that supports profit (10).
16 Somewhat superior to a bird, an amphibian, say (2,1,6).
21 Come in with chips but no fish (5).
22 Row about it escalates (4).
23 Basil, for instance – a bachelor after a girl (4).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,687

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L I T T O R A L   A V I A T E
E   U   V   U     R   N   R  
S C R E E N T E S T   C O O K
S   N   R   O     I   H   T  
O Y S T E R C A T C H E R S  
N   T   A   U     H   C   K  
S C O T T I E   P O R K P I E
    N     N       K     E    
F R E I G H T   D E P O S I T
  A   N   E     I   R   T   A
  M I S T R A N S L A T I O N
  P   I   I     U   I   C   G
B A N G   T E A S E R V I C E
  G   H   O     E   I   D   N
H E C T O R   A D H E R E N T
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Solution to Puzzle No 18,692

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F R O S T   C A S E B O O K S
I   U   H   L   T   A   P   L
R A T I O N A L E   C O T T A
E   D   U   M   E   K   I   S
P L O U G H M A N S L U N C H
R       H   Y   B   O   G    
O D D I T Y   P O P G R O U P
O   E       M   K       U   A
F A M I L I A R   S C O T E R
    A   O   R   D   L       T
P O R T R A I T O F A L A D Y
S   C   I   A   G   I   N   G
H E A V E   C A L A M A N C O
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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

NOSTOS
a. Curdled mare's milk
b. The bottom vertebra
c. A poem of return

RUBIGINOUS
a. Giving birth to rubies
b. Rust-coloured
c. Fall of holes

DISJASKIT
a. Jaded, worn out
b. A Dress kilt jacket
c. Disc jockey's patter

BOTARGO
a. The builder of the Argo
b. A blunt arrow for practice
c. Fish roe relish

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The winners of last Saturday's competition are: K Duke, Hale Purlieu, Hale, Fordingbridge, Hampshire; C Collings, Rose Street, Wokingham, Berkshire; W S Bevan, Clay Common, Frostenden, Beccles, Suffolk; J Bell, Moor Crescent, Gilesgate Moor, Durham; G F Leyerzapf, Seaford Road, Cleethorpes, South Humberside.

WEATHER

Most places will have a dry, cloudy day but with some sunny spells. It will be warmer than yesterday, with lighter winds. Southwest England and the Channel Islands will be cloudy, possibly with some drizzle. North and west Scotland, with Orkney and Shetland, will start cloudy with occasional showers but will have brighter weather later. Outlook: dry with sunny intervals in most places, becoming warmer.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder, d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Algiers	34	93	s	Malta	28	82	f
Athens	30	86	f	Melb'rne	12	54	r
Barbads*	27	81	f	Miami*	32	90	s
Barcelna	27	81	s	Milan	29	84	s
Bermuda*	32	90	s	Montreal*	24	75	s
Biarritz	25	77	f	Moscow	18	64	c
Borde'x	25	77	f	Naples	29	84	s
Budapst	24	75	s	N Delhi	31	88	f
B Aires*	23	73	f	N York*	28	82	s
Cairo	32	90	s	Nice	28	82	s
Cape Tn	15	59	f	Oslo	22	72	s
C'phagn	20	68	s	Paris	22	72	f
Corfu	30	86	s	Perth	15	59	s
Dublin	14	57	r	Prague	24	75	s
Faro	25	77	s	Rhodes	30	86	s
Florence	30	86	s	Rio de J	23	73	s
Frankfurt	25	77	f	Rome	27	81	s
Funchal	26	79	f	S F'risco*	17	63	c
Geneva	26	79	s	Sing'por	30	86	f
Gibraltar	28	82	s	St'kholm	25	77	s
Helsinki	22	72	s	Strasb'rg	24	75	s
Hong K	33	91	s	Sydney	22	72	s
Istanbul	24	75	f	Tangier	26	79	s
Jo'burg*	20	68	s	Tel Aviv	30	86	s
Karachi	32	90	f	Tenerife	26	79	s
L Palmas	25	77	s	Tokyo	33	91	f
Lisbon	21	70	s	Toronto*	27	81	f
Locarno	27	81	f	Tunis	32	90	c
London	17	63	r	Vanc'ver*	16	61	f
L Angels*	21	70	c	Venice	28	82	f
Luxor	38	100	s	Vienna	24	75	s
Madrid	29	84	s	Warsaw	24	75	f
Majorca	31	88	s	Wash'ton*	29	84	f
Malaga	30	86	s	Zurich	23	73	f

* denotes figures are latest available

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	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.225	2.105
Austria Sch	21.60	20.10
Belgium Fr	63.05	59.05
Canada $	2.045	1.895
Denmark Kr	11.83	11.08
Finland Mkk	7.51	7.06
France Fr	10.36	9.71
Germany Dm	3.06	2.86
Greece Dr	334.00	314.00
Hong Kong $	13.75	12.75
Ireland Pt	1.145	1.075
Italy Lira	2295.00	2145.00
Japan Yen	247.25	229.25
Netherlands Gld	3.445	3.225
Norway Kr	12.02	11.22
Portugal Esc	261.50	243.50
South Africa Rd	5.30	4.70
Spain Pts	189.75	176.75
Sweden Kr	11.18	10.43
Switzerland Fr	2.66	2.495
Turkey Lira	8200.00	7400.00
USA $	1.79	1.66
Yugoslavia Dnr	DNB	40.00

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AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	2.2	.03	18	64	rain
Anglesey	0.2	.02	21	70	shower
Belfast	2.2	.02	21	70	bright
Birmingham	6.3	.08	23	73	shower
Blackpool	5.2	.02	24	75	shower
Bognor Regis	8.0	.16	21	70	shower
Bournemouth	9.2	.10	22	72	shower
Bristol	0.5	.25	21	70	rain
Buxton	7.7	.03	21	70	bright
Cardiff	0.5	.25	19	66	rain
Colwyn Bay	3.0	.19	24	75	rain
Cromer	6.8	-	29	84	sunny
Douglas	1.9	-	19	66	cloudy
Jersey	5.9	.24	22	72	shower
Kinloss	3.2	.16	23	73	rain
Leeds	9.3	-	25	77	bright
Lerwick	0.8	.01	14	57	rain
Penzance	7.2	.24	19	66	bright
Plymouth	3.4	.04	17	63	rain
Poole	2.0	.09	21	70	shower
Scarborough	6.6	.02	25	77	sunny
Scilly Isles	7.9	.05	17	63	shower
Shanklin	5.7	.15	21	70	rain
Southsea	6.5	.29	22	72	rain
St. Ives	6.9	-	18	64	bright
Stornoway	0.5	.23	18	64	rain
Swanage	2.7	.11	21	70	shower
Teignmouth	2.3	.21	19	66	rain
Tenby	1.8	.11	18	64	shower
Torquay	2.0	.23	17	63	rain
Weymouth	2.2	.19	19	66	shower
Worthing	7.9	.07	21	70	shower

These are Thursday's figures

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Thursday: Highest day temp: Cromer, Norfolk, 29C (84F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Shetland, 14C (57F); highest rainfall: Dunkeswell, Devon, 0.32 in; highest sunshine: Herne Bay, Kent; and Leeds, 9.3 hr.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 17C (63F); min 6pm to 6am, 12C (54F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.14 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 2.4 hr.

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 18C (64F); min 6pm to 6am, 12C (54F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.82 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 4.2 hr.

TOWER BRIDGE

Tower Bridge will be lifted today at 7.45am. Tomorrow: 7.45am.

LIGHTING-UP TIMES

TODAY
London 8.06 pm to 6.01 am
Bristol 8.15 pm to 6.11 am
Edinburgh 8.29 pm to 6.02 am
Manchester 8.19 pm to 6.05 am
Penzance 8.34 pm to 6.26 am

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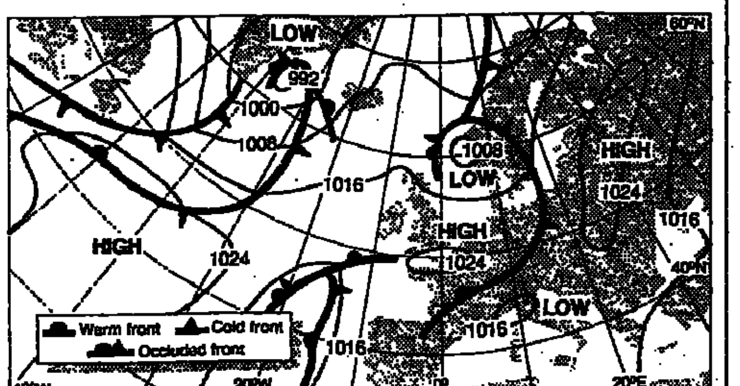
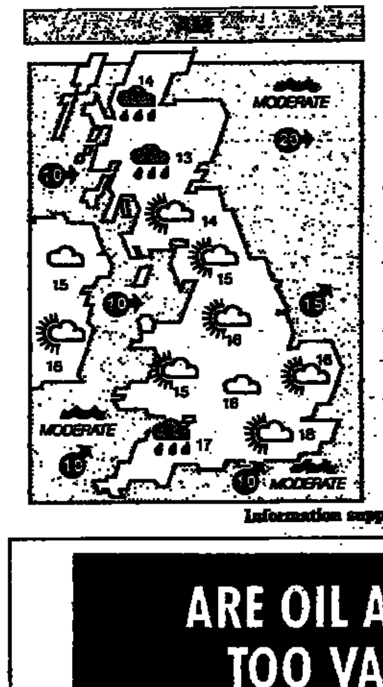
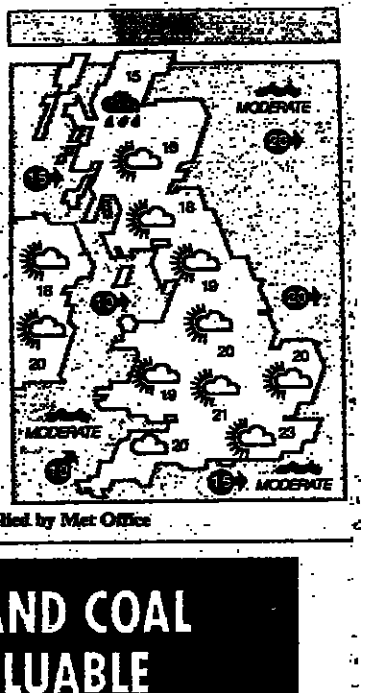


TODAY
Sun rises: 5.59 am
Sun sets: 8.06 pm
Moon sets: 4.56 am
Moon rises: 7.28 pm
Full moon tomorrow

TOMORROW
Sun rises: 6.01 am
Sun sets: 8.04 pm
Moon sets: 6.07 am
Moon rises: 7.43 pm
Full moon 10.07 am





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WEEKEND MONEY

CBI shift

ONE of the toughest critics of the government's economic policy, the Confederation of British Industry, is at last swinging round to the view that there will after all be signs of recovery in the second half of the year.

The pick-up will be weak, more visible to statisticians than to the naked eye. For the real thing, businessmen will have to wait until next year, when exports will be especially strong. But the CBI sticks to its guns over the need for more interest rate cuts ......Page 27

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Soviet strategy

THE failed Soviet coup was an opportunity for investors. Some baled out at the wrong time, fearful that German companies would suffer worst from the upheaval in Eastern Europe. Others took their courage in their hands and bought when the markets fell. They have made handsome gains. Professionals suggest that a cautious strategy might now best ..Page 31

WEEK ENDING

Matthew Bond

Delayed at their dachas

Question: Who said, exactly one month ago, "I do not believe what is currently being said about the stability of financial systems, nationally or internationally . . . we have never been in a more unstable or dangerous period."?

The answer, of course, is the delphic Sir James Goldsmith, who until this week was most famous for having correctly anticipated the 1987 stock market crash. By Monday evening he ranked as a seer without peer, as the world's stock markets plunged in response to events in the Soviet Union.

The only problem for Sir James was that the commodity he had chosen as a hedge against financial Armageddon, gold, was not behaving as it was supposed to. While the London FT-SE 100 index swung faster than a Taman regiment tank turret — plunging to 2,495.7 on Monday only to soar to a new high of 2,641.7 on Friday — gold stubbornly refused to join in the celebrations, closing on Friday at $353.75 an oz, some $5 an oz down on the week. Back to the crystal ball, Sir James.

In the City events curiously echoed the goings on in the Soviet Union, with a number of leading businessmen apparently finding themselves unavoidably delayed at their summer dachas when their presence was required elsewhere. Where, for example, was the management troika at Mountleigh, the ailing property company, which the week before had run into serious regulatory problems with Stock Exchange hardliners and on Monday saw their popularity plummet as their £96 million rights issue limped to a 12 per cent take up?

It was left to a company apparatchik to explain that Nelson Peltz and Peter May, the American businessmen who bought into Mountleigh 18 months ago, were in America, perhaps at their Florida dacha, while Clive Strowger, Mountleigh's chief executive, was somewhere in the Canadian steppes. Inevitably there was talk of a boardroom putsch with Elliot Bernerd, the popular property sector maverick, favourite to win control.

Mr Bernerd is currently in negotiation with P&O, the shipping and construction giant, with which he bought Laing Properties for £492 million last year. To facilitate the splitting of the Laing spoils, P&O on Wednesday announced a huge £604 million rights issue. To his credit Lord Sterling, P&O's chairman, was there to face the music, but — having denied planning a rights issue as recently as March — was considered by the market to be guilty of the lesser crime of revisionist thinking.

But where Lord Sterling was to be found, the normally voluble Sir Edward du Cann was not. Prompted by the DTI's plans to disqualify him as a director, Sir Edward stepped down as chairman of Lonrho and retreated to his Somerset dacha, where, said his solicitor, he was recovering from exhaustion. In a week where other deputies have struggled to fill their bosses shoes, Tiny Rowland slipped into Sir Edward's newly vacated chair as if it had been made for him.

Finally, as the momentous week drew to a close, there were reports, no doubt apocryphal, that the last act of a more permanently ousted leader, John Gutfreund of Salomon Bros International, had been to place a massive order shorting the world's equity markets on behalf of a prominent, indeed very prominent, eastern bloc client.

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BUSINESS PROFILE: Nigel Fox Bassett

High flyer among the legal eagles

Clifford Chance's sole senior partner can appear austere, even frightening. Carol Leonard braved an encounter

The bane of their lives might be paper, but lawyers always want everything in writing. And on paper, Nigel Fox Bassett, senior partner of Clifford Chance, the biggest law firm in Europe and one of the five biggest in the world, certainly looks the part.

He went to a reasonably good public school, Taunton, to Trinity College, Cambridge, has been married just once, has the obligatory two children, enjoys beagling and shooting and belongs to the City of London Club, the MCC and the Garrick.

In the flesh he appears no less Establishment. A pin-striped suit, blue striped shirt, conservative maroon tie, matching pocket handkerchief, well-polished shoes and a gold signet ring on the little finger of his left hand. He is tall — 6ft 1in — and upright. His voice is deep, confident and instead of "Yes", he says "Yah".

At such a superficial level, only his face is unexpected. It is unexpectedly interesting. He has a strong jaw, heavy features, loose skin and, although clean shaven, has such a dark beard that he suffers from five o'clock shadow at 11am. His thick, wavy hair, now grey, was black, and looks just slightly out of control.

Those dark, heavy features, coupled with a natural propensity not to smile, can make Fox Bassett, aged 61, appear austere or even frightening. "I do get accused of being cold and calm by people who don't know me," he admits. "Funnily enough, just the other day somebody in the firm said: 'I used to think you were terribly stern until I was sent to take something to your room. You turned and smiled and spoke so nicely to me that I thought this is quite a different person from what I imagined.' "

That apparent austerity is, however, nothing more than a method of self defence, perfected long ago by someone who is inherently shy. As a young boy, Fox Bassett was often accused of being poker-faced by his extrovert father, a banker with the military bank, Cox's & King's, now part of Lloyds, and his younger brother, now a Free Church preacher. "They used to complain that they could never tell what I was thinking. I was always very self contained," he said. In that he has not altered.

But beneath that severe, protective shell, lies a very different man. He is a warm, emotional person who admits to shedding the occasional tear when he hears the national anthem, who often gives flowers to his wife and who loves mixing with writers and actors at the Garrick. He had sleepless nights during the Gulf war, worrying over whether he should recall the Middle Eastern staff, and says that he could not work with private clients because he would become too emotionally involved with their affairs. "I'm a very sensitive person, much more sensitive than people realise," says Fox Bassett. "I do worry. But I have developed a means of staying detached."

His wife, Anne, a former nurse, agrees. "He can look quite severe and unapproachable. He does not have a very smiley face. I have a friend who used to be very frightened of him. It was years before she was finally able to relax with him — and now she says that he is a totally different person to how he looks."

Despite his appearance, Fox Bassett is anxious to be liked. Jeremy Carver, one of the 225 partners at Clifford Chance, says: "He works at being popular and he is popular, far more so than he realises." He became senior partner in May last year, succeeding Sir Max Williams, and was the first sole senior partner to be elected by both Clifford Turner and Coward Chance, the two firms that merged in 1987 to form Clifford Chance. The firm now employs 889 lawyers in the UK and 2,454 staff worldwide.

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A Coward Chance man through and through — he joined straight from Cambridge — Fox Bassett was on a short list of five candidates for the top job. He was, he says, "very surprised" to have been chosen, even though Carver describes it as an "overwhelming victory". "Since he was the first sole senior partner to be elected, it was important to have someone with no side to them," Carver explains. "No one can ever suppose that Nigel has a hidden agenda. He is utterly straightforward."

Whereas Sir Max concentrated on the UK, Fox Bassett is best known for the development of the partnership as a truly European-based international firm. Forced to describe himself, he says he is sincere and loyal to that partnership. "As a partner I think I'm regarded as fair and sound in the sense that I analyse things, I listen to people, exercise judgment and then I am very determined to see things through." His wife says she has never heard him say a bad word about any of his partners, that he always tries to see the best in people and that once his mind is made up he is determined to the point of being stubborn.

Michael Jenkins, who knows Fox Bassett as a friend and as a client in his role as chief executive of Liffe, concurs. "He is so determined he can be dogmatic," he says. "If he has made up his mind to do something, he will not be dissuaded." Jenkins recalls a joint family holiday, during which Fox Bassett would always do what he had originally decided to do, even if it meant he ended up doing it alone. And, in contrast to Jeremy Carver, who claims that "the idea of Nigel losing his temper would be impossible", both Jenkins and Mrs Fox Bassett agree that he can have a short fuse if any of his so carefully laid plans go awry. Jenkins says: "He is not the sort to have a public outburst but he can get extremely angry if somebody lets him down, or if something is not done the way Nigel wants it to be done.

"But, as a client, that meant that he was always someone in whom you had absolute confidence that if he had agreed to do something, it would be done."

Fox Bassett then, can be a conscientious worrier at work and a considerate romantic at home. But apart from giving surprise gifts to his wife, he is not known for his spontaneity. "He takes a somewhat military approach to things," says Jenkins. Fox Bassett would agree. Speeches are always fully prepared and jokes carefully written down. "I'm not the hearty joke-telling type and I don't react to funny situations as quickly as my wife. I have quite a dry sense of humour." His wife recalls the time their son Jonathan, now 25, had his ear pierced for a bet in his last term at school. Fox Bassett ignored her protestations, made no comment whatsoever and then appeared at the breakfast table wearing a suit and one of her long, dangling earrings. "He kept it on all day, just to show our son how silly he would look," she says. "We were all in fits of laughter."

Fox Bassett mentions his wife often. He is obviously very dependent. "I was shy as a child and I am naturally inclined towards quietness, but I push myself and, having done that, I enjoy myself," he says. "My wife helped draw me out, she was part of the process of giving me social confidence. I no longer worry about meeting people or going into a crowded room." The process of gaining social confidence began when he was 16 and suddenly began to grow. "I had always been very small for my age," he says. His early years at boarding school were, consequently, a misery. "But I'm a stiff upper lip chap. I stood it." A keen cricketer, hockey and rugby player, he was hindered by his height. But his ambitions were fulfilled on an academic level. "It was the academic side that helped give me confidence. I was always at or near the top of the class. I've always had an ability for concentration, a competitive instinct, a will to do best." But it was only in his final year at university that he "became earnest about a job" and developed an ambition "to succeed at something, to achieve something".

Fox Bassett admits that he has been lucky and that he has more than achieved his ambitions. But there is one ambition that remains. He would, presumably, like to see Clifford Chance the number one firm in the world? He hesitates. His eyes narrow, refocus. He lowers his voice. "Well . . . ," he says slowly. "Obviously." The goal posts suddenly become clear and, with a little less than two years of his three-year term still to run, the final test of his achievement is under way.

JULIAN HERBERT

A considerate romantic at home: Nigel Fox Bassett often gives flowers to his wife Anne

Wyevale plans £17m Cramphorn graft

By Martin Barrow

BRITONS are going potty over plants, spending more than £1 billion a year at garden centres. But it is not only the beautiful blooms drawing the crowds.

Today's keen gardener is just as likely to be in search of rare koi carp for his fish pond or waterproof lighting to illuminate his exotic fruit trees on the occasional summer evening when it is warm enough to sit outdoors.

Recession, which has blighted most retail sectors, has not taken root in garden centres, on target for single-figure growth this year. This has not gone unnoticed by DIY chains, which have swiftly fertilised their garden sections. But this is of little concern to Brian Evans, the chief executive of Wyevale Garden Centres, which opened the country's first garden centre in 1961.

It is the profit margins attracting leaders such as Kingfisher's B&Q and Texas, part of Ladbroke. Wyevale, which yesterday made an agreed bid for Cramphorn, another quoted garden centre, to form Britain's largest independent chain, had gross margins of 46.4 per cent in the six months to June, against 45.2 per cent in 1990.

Wyevale's interim pre-tax profits rose almost 40 per cent to £2.2 million. Sales were up 6 per cent to £11.6 million, and although like-for-like sales fell 8 per cent,

Mr Evans noted "a distinct improvement in sales from mid-May". While Wyevale's chain of 25 centres extends across England and Wales, Cramphorn operates 15 outlets mainly in the Southeast and has not escaped the slump in the region's property market. In the year to July 6 its pre-tax profits halved to £650,000 on static turnover of £15 million. There is no duplication of outlets and no closures are envisaged.

Wyevale is offering Cramphorn holders 5 new shares for every 8 held, valuing them at 102p each and the company at £16.9 million. In March 1990, Cramphorn raised £4.7 million via a 3-for-7 rights issue at 400p a share. The shares were then split in four to improve marketability, but have underperformed the market ever since, trading at 81p before the bid. Wyevale has received irrevocable undertakings for 13.7 per cent of Cramphorn.

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3048.30 (+40.92)*
Tokyo Nikkei Avge
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RISES:	
Hawker Siddeley	599½p (+13p)
Bass	965p (+31p)
Grand Met	828p (+14p)
RM Douglas	461p (+21p)
Cantors 'A'	163½p (+11p)
Blenheim Group	967½p (+18p)
P&O	587½p (+21p)
Tibbet & Britten	456½p (+13p)
AIM	140p (+10p)
BOC	594½p (+10p)
Boosey & Hawkes	740p (+15p)
Carlton Comm	516½p (+22p)
BP	346½p (+10p)
TGH	95p (+10p)
Reuters	886p (+27p)
Rockware	105½p (+46½p)
P Harris	122½p (+13p)
FALLS:	
ADT	492½p (-45p)
News Corp	430p (-10p)
Elec Data Process	215p (-15p)

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INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 11%
3-month Interbank 10¹³⁄₁₆-10¾%
3-month eligible bills: 10⁵⁄₁₆-10¼%
US: Prime Rate 8½%
Federal Funds 5½%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.39-5.37%*
30-year bonds 99¹⁵⁄₁₆-99³¹⁄₃₂*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6735	£: $1.6725*
£: DM2.9320	$: DM1.7528*
£: SwFr2.5613	$: SwFr1.5310*
£: FFr9.9472	$: FFr5.9490*
£: Yen229.27	$: Yen137.10*
£: Index:90.5	$: Index:66.7
ECU £0.700258	SDR £0.793939
£: ECU1.428045	£: SDR1.259542

London Forex market closes

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $354.40 pm-$353.70
close $353.50-354.00 (£210.90-211.40)
New York:
Comex $353.30-353.80*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Sep) .... $19.80 bbl ($19.70)
* Denotes midday trading price

RETAIL PRICES

RPI: 133.8 July (1987=100)

Group denies rumours that it will offload its fast food subsidiary

GrandMet to keep Burger King

By JONATHAN PRYNN

GRAND Metropolitan, the food and drinks company, has again sought to quash rumours that its Burger King fast food restaurant chain has been put up for sale.

GrandMet shares rose 15p to 829p at one stage yesterday before falling to 828p. The sharp climb in the price followed strong buying of the company's American depository receipts in New York, where rumours are orginating. One block of 1.4 million shares was sold to a US buyer at 828p, analysts said.

However, GrandMet continued to pour cold water on the story, the persistence of which over the past two months has irritated Sir Allen Sheppard, the chairman.

"The long-term strategy is that Burger King is part of Grand Metropolitan, full stop," a spokesman for the company said. It would not make sense for GrandMet to sell Burger King halfway through the task of turning it round, he added. Neither is a flotation of all or part of Burger King a possibility for the foreseeable future.

It is not clear where the rumours started but GrandMet sources suggest possible purchasers could be priming the market for approaches.

Burger King, expected to make £120 million profit this year, would be worth about £1.5 billion on the open market, enough to make a big dent in GrandMet's 88 per cent gearing.

However, analysts were also sceptical about a possible disposal of the subsidiary, which was acquired as part of the $5.75 billion Pillsbury purchase in 1989. The City has been told that the turnround of Burger King is a five-year programme that has gone well so far but is still only half complete.

Barry Gibbons, chief executive of Burger King since soon after the deal, has been successful in taking market share away from McDonald's, but has yet to produce the profits breakthrough that would justify the deal.

Profits are likely to fall marginally in the year to end-September after being hit by the Gulf war, when potential customers stayed glued to the television rather than going out for food. One of Burger King's problems is that it is still much more reliant on the American market than either McDonald's or its other main rival, PepsiCo, the owner of Pizza Hut and Kentucky Fried Chicken. About 90 per cent of Burger King's profits are derived there.

With relish: Sir Allen Sheppard, GrandMet chairman, is happy with Burger King

Japanese banking chiefs to testify

From REUTER IN TOKYO

A JAPANESE parliamentary panel investigating recent scandals in the financial services industry has decided to call the presidents of Fuji Bank, Sumitomo Bank and Industrial Bank of Japan to testify. They will testify as expert witnesses, which means they will not be under oath.

The 40-member panel on securities and banking issues has decided to summon Toru Hashimoto of Fuji, Sotoo Tatsumi of Sumitomo, and Yoh Kurosawa of Industrial Bank of Japan. They will testify next Friday. The committee decided this week to call Setsuya Tabuchi, the former chairman of Nomura Securities, and Takuya Iwasaki, the former president of Nikko Securities, to testify under oath next Thursday. Each witness will be given two hours to testify.

Mr Tabuchi and Mr Iwasaki are expected to testify on compensation allegedly paid by their companies to favoured clients for investment losses. The bank presidents will testify on their knowledge of false deposit certificates issued by employees at some financial institutions as collateral for securing loans.

Third Mile buys radio stations

THIRD Mile Investment, the small investment company that plans to turn itself into a leisure group, is making a reverse takeover of two independent radio stations. Third Mile, which will be renamed Allied Radio, is to acquire County Sound for £5.3 million and Radio Mercury for £4.8 million.

Third Mile is also raising £4.3 million by a rights issue. The chairmen and managing directors of County and Mercury are to join the TMI board and three TMI directors are to stand down. Third Mile's shares have been suspended at 40p since March.

Waverley Cameron passes dividend

By MATTHEW BOND

WAVERLEY Cameron, the Edinburgh stationery and office equipment group, has reported a pre-tax loss of £617,000 for the year to end-March (£1.4 million profit) and has passed the final dividend.

The figures include only a two-month contribution from BTS, the USM office products company that merged with Waverley in January. James Gulliver, former chairman of the Argyll supermarket firm, is still in the Waverley chair. At the time the BTS merger was announced he made an undertaking that he would stand down after a suitable period.

During the year Waverley was hit hard by high interest rates and declining demand for its products. Despite the contribution of BTS, sales slipped from £51.4 million to £45.9 million, with operating profits sliding from £2.8 million to just £570,000.

Prior to the BTS merger, Waverley sold several non-core advertising and design businesses. The net result of the disposals was to reduced group borrowings by some £4 million.

A zero total dividend compares with 1p last year.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Aerospace Engineering warns of tough half

AEROSPACE Engineering has given a warning that it expects a difficult first half but said there was some evidence of a recovery in the market for aerospace components. The group is maintaining its annual dividend at 3.12p a share, with an unchanged final of 1.56p, despite pre-tax profits down from £2.71 million to £2.01 million in the year to end-April. Earnings fell from 5.43p a share to 4.38p.

John Davis, chairman, said profits would remain depressed in the short term because of the economic environment but prospects were brighter in the longer term. "The market for aerospace components is showing signs that it will improve during the second half as a result of the growing sales of the Airbus range of aircraft," he said.

Dawsongroup cuts losses

LOSSES in the commercial vehicles sales division contributed to another half year in the red at Dawsongroup, the truck rental company. Dawsonfreight Commercials' first loss in 18 years followed a 20 per cent fall in turnover. The group pre-tax loss for the period to end-June was cut from £483,000 to £192,000. Turnover on continuing activities fell 2.3 per cent to £21.5 million. There is again no interim dividend.

Atlas Copco declines 45%

ATLAS Copco, the Swedish mining engineering company, announced a 45 per cent decline in profits for the first half to end-June, after net financial items, to SKr455 million (£42.7 million), on sales 8 per cent lower at SKr7.50 billion. Michael Treschow, managing director, said the 43 per cent fall in operating profit to SKr507 million reflected lower sales across all sectors.

Ciba-Geigy ahead

CIBA-GEIGY, the Swiss chemical and pharmaceutical group, defied the negative trend in the industry with a rise in consolidated net profits from SFr1.22 billion to SFr1.27 billion (£500 million) in the first six months of the year.

A statement said: "The favourable growth in pharmaceutical and agricultural sales, and internal measures taken to increase productivity were the main reasons for the improvement." Sales remained stable at just under SFr11 billion. The company forecast that after-tax operating profits for the whole year would improve on last year's SFr1.03 billion.

Porsche year 'satisfactory'

PORSCHE, the sports car maker, has forecast "satisfactory results" and turnover of nearly 3 billion marks in the year to end-July, adding that business developments were in line with its earlier forecasts. Preliminary results will be published in two weeks. Porsche expected a further decline of important car markets this year, and said there were no signs of recovery for car markets in America or France.

Ferry group reduces loss

IRISH Continental Group, the ferry operator that owns Irish Ferries, has reduced its first-half seasonal deficit after closing its loss-making Belfast-to-Liverpool route last October. The pre-tax loss for the half year to end-April was reduced by £Ir327,000 to £Ir1.49 million (£1.36 million) on turnover of £Ir6.87 million. The loss per share was Ir8.9p (Ir10.8p in 1990). There is no interim dividend (nil).

THE SUNDAY TIMES
Mountleigh nightmare
"Nelson Peltz's dream of storming through Europe with Mountleigh has turned into a nightmare. A £5m home in Mayfair didn't stop his family from missing the Florida sun and his slicked back hair and macho wisecracks appear to have gone down like warm beer."
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Fixed Term Deposits:						
Barclays	9.81	9.81	7.84	25,000-50,000	1 mth	071-626 1567
"	10.13	10.13	8.10	25,000-50,000	3 mth	071-626 1567
Lloyds	8.87	8.87	7.10	2,500-no max	1 mth	Local Brnch
"	9.25	9.25	7.40	2,500-no max	6 mth	Local Brnch
Midland	7.50	7.50	6.00	10,000-no max	1 mth	0742 528655
" " "	7.31	7.31	5.85	10,000-no max	3 mth	0742 528655
NatWest	7.03	7.03	5.62	10,000-24,000	1 mth	071-726 1000
" " "	6.94	6.94	5.55	10,000-24,000	6 mth	071-726 1000
HIGH INTEREST CHEQUE ACCOUNTS						
Bank of Scotland MMC	7.23	7.48	5.98	2,500‡	none	031-442 7777
Barclays Prime a/c	6.15	6.29	5.03	2,500‡	none	0604 252891
Co-operative Ultra	2.60	2.70	2.16	1,000‡	none	071 626 6543
Girobank	5.63	5.83	4.60	1,000‡	none	051 966 2076
Lloyds HICA	2.25	2.27	1.81	1,000‡	none	0272 433372
Midland HICA	5.72	5.80	4.64	2,000‡	none	0742 528655
NatWest Special Reserve	5.63	5.78	4.62	500‡	none	071-374 3374
Royal Bank of Scot Prem A/c	6.45	6.61	5.29	2,500	none	031-556 8555
TSB Bank HICA	6.90	6.90	5.52	2,000‡	none	071-600 6000
BUILDING SOCIETIES						
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Best buy — largest socs:						
Portman	7.80	7.80	6.24	500 min	none	—
Cheltenham & Gl	8.74	8.74	6.99	2,500 min	none	—
Northern Rock	9.00	9.00	7.20	40,000 min	30 day	—
Skipton	9.00	9.00	7.20	2,500 min	90 day	—
Bradford & Bing	9.25	9.25	7.40	25,000 min	1 year	—
Best buy — all socs:						
Tynemouth	8.33	8.33	6.66	500 min	none	—
Bristol & West	7.50	7.50	6.00	500 min	30 day	—
Norwich & Peterbor'	8.48	8.62	7.15	10,000 min	85 day	—
Skipton	9.00	9.00	7.20	2,500 min	90 day	—
Bradford & Bingley	9.25	9.25	7.40	25,000 min	1 year	—
Cash/Cheque Accounts:						
Halifax Card Cash	3.41	3.41	2.73	50 min		Rates rise
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Chase de Vere	9.40	9.40	7.99	5,000 min	3 yrs	Vere
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Liberty Life	9.60	9.60	8.16	25,000 min	5 yrs	for details

		Holiday rates	£ buys
RPI (July 90-91)	+5.5%	Spanish Pesetas:	178.00
Bank Base Rate	11%	French Francs:	9.73
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A logical offer from BTR

TEMPUS

BTR is paying top whack in buying Rockware for £197.2 million on an historic price/earnings exit multiple of 22.3. At a 103p-a-share cash bid price, there is a 74.6 per cent premium to Rockware's pre-bid quote.

But there is sufficient industrial logic in the agreed bid to justify the knockout blow, and with memories of BTR's failed tilts at Pilkington and the Norton Company in mind, Alan Jackson, the recently appointed chief executive, wants to be seen to succeed on the bid trail.

BTR has already secured acceptances of 23.5 per cent, and market purchases yesterday will have taken the holding even higher.

Rockware's profits of late have been held in check by modernisation programmes, but Rockware's margins of around 7 per cent should be lifted somewhere towards the 15 per cent region that the glass bottle operations of BTR Nylex in Australia achieve.

In yesterday's rising market, BTR shares fell 5p to 425p on "disappointment" that this was not the megabid the market wanted. There were also doubts about short-term earnings dilution.

BTR's interim results are due on September 5, and Rockware's soon after. Even if BTR has to pay all cash, its gearing will rise only from 40 per cent to 44 per cent.

BTR's acquisitions from here on could be in any or all of the other main divisions, but the essence of tomorrow's BTR is that it wants to be global in all its markets, rather than national.

Pre-tax profit forecasts for 1991 of between £890 million and £900 million (£966 million) put BTR shares on 14.9 times prospective earnings. BTR could rejoin the billionaires' club next year.

Rockware shareholders will find it hard to say no to the offer. BTR, meanwhile, remains a hold.

Wassall

WASSALL has responded emphatically to those who doubted its ability to manage businesses through troubled times. Not only is it emerging from recession with continued earnings growth, but it has also shown its talent at bargain-hunting and proved that it has no fears in following Hanson, its guiding light, across the Atlantic.

The $90 million acquisition of DAP from the highly geared USG Corporation gives Wassall its first significant American earnings stream and asset base, and access to less expensive dollar financing.

DAP has nationwide coverage, and during two years of recession its sales have held steady in excess of $180 million.

Almost half Wassall's turnover will come from North America, where early signs of an end to the recession are emerging. That said, Wassall performed well in depressed British markets in the first half, increasing pre-tax profits from £3.05 million to £3.12 million and earnings from 4.55p to 4.6p. There is an interim dividend of 1p and a promised final 1.75p, which would compare with last year's total of 2.5p.

DAP's first 12-month contribution should hoist group earnings per share to 14.5p in 1992, compared with an expected 11.5p in the current year. The shares jumped 8p to 172p but have some way to go to regain the premium rating.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Jan	Apr	Puts Oct	Jan	Apr
Alld Lyons	500	101	108	122	2	4	6½
(*589)	550	56	68	83	6	13	17
	600	24	37	53	24	32	38
ASDA	80	15	17	19	2	3½	5
(*92)	90	7½	10½	11	5	7	8½
	100	2½	7	8	12	12	15
Bass	880	100	-	-	5½	-	-
(*961)	929	62	-	-	14	-	-
	977	33	-	-	35	-	-
Boots	390	56	63	74	2	6	8
(*439)	420	31	41	54	7	13	18
	460	9	20	32	29	34	35
Br Airways	160	23	27	31	3	6	7½
(*179)	180	9	14	20	9	14	16
	200	3½	8	11½	24	27	28
BP	300	51	53	57	1½	3	4½
(*347)	330	25	33	36	4	7½	11
	360	7½	14	20	19	22	26
Br Steel	110	20	21½	23½	1	2½	3½
(*127)	120	11½	14	16½	3	5½	11
	130	5½	8	10½	6½	10	11
C & W	500	101	111	-	1½	5	-
(*590)	550	56	71	87	7	15	20
	600	23	40	55	25	34	40
CU	460	67	82	-	2½	5½	-
(*517)	500	36	52	60	9	14	20
	550	10	26	35	37	41	45
Courtauld	420	62	71	84	3	7	10
(*474)	460	31	43	57	12	17	20
	500	13	25	37	32	36	37
GKN	330	55	64	70	2	6	10
(*375)	360	31	43	50	8	14	21
	390	12	28	33	22	26	34
Grand Met	750	95	115	125	5	11	17
(*828)	800	52	77	90	13	25	30
	850	23	47	63	35	47	52
ICI	1250	112	154	170	18	31	48
(*1330)	1300	77	122	137	34	48	68
	1350	49	94	109	59	67	90
Kingfisher	500	85	100	115	2	7	11
(*577)	550	44	63	80	12	18	24
	600	17	35	50	35	42	45
Ladbroke	260	20	26	33	9	12	17
(*270)	280	8	16	23	19	23	26
	300	3	9½	15	34	36	38
Land Sec	460	72	78	87	1½	3½	5½
(*525)	500	37	44	59	5½	12	15
	550	9	20	30	30	37	40
M & S	260	36	41	48	1½	4	5
(*291)	280	20	27	35	5½	8	10
	300	9	15	24	15	18	21
Sainsbury	326	45	52	-	1½	4	-
(*364)	356	21	30	-	7½	12	-
	386	7	15	-	25	29	-
Shell	460	78	82	87	2	4	6½
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	Series	Calls Oct	Jan	Apr	Puts Oct	Jan	Apr
Storehouse	100	16	19	21	2	4	6
(*112)	110	8	12	15	6	9	10
	120	3½	7	10	12	15	16
Trafalgar	211	38	40	-	3	9	-
(*243)	231	22	25	-	8	17	-
	251	11	17	-	18	28	-
Ultramar	240	37	45	48	3	5	8
(*275)	260	21	30	32	7	10	14
	280	10½	18	22	18	20	25
Unilever	650	122	-	-	2	-	-
(*760)	700	75	90	-	5	11	-
	750	36	55	70	17	24	29
	800	12	30	43	47	53	57
Utd Bisc	360	46	52	59	3	6	9
(*398)	390	22	32	39	11	15	21
	420	6½	16	23	29	32	38
	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
BAA	390	45	60	66	1	4½	8
(*436)	420	15	36	46	2	12	16
	460	1	14	22	28	32	37
BAT Ind	600	86	89	-	1	4	-
(*686)	650	36	47	70	1	14	20
	700	4	22	41	18	42	47
	750	1	9	25	69	80	82
BTR	390	34	40	52	1	8	12
(*425)	420	7	21	33	3½	21	25
	460	1	5½	17	42	48	50
Br Aero	550	27	41	58	1½	19	24
(*574)	600	1½	16	34	32	47	52
	650	½	7	18	82	85	87
Br Telecom	360	33	42	51	1	4	8
(*394)	390	6½	22	31	4½	14	18
	420	½	9½	17	29	31	34
Cadbury	360	30	40	50	1	6½	9½
(*386)	390	5	21	32	8	18	22
	420	1	9	-	35	38	-
Guinness	900	100	137	142	1	7	13
(*997)	950	50	75	105	1½	18	26
	1000	9	46	73	12	37	46
GEC	180	13	19	22½	1	3½	6½
(*193)	200	1	7	12	10	13½	15½
	220	¼	2½	5½	29	30	31
Hanson	200	21	27	30	1	2	6
(*220)	220	2½	12	15½	3	8	14½
	240	½	4	7	21	21	28
LASMO	300	28	40	50	1	6½	11
(*325)	330	4	20	32	9	19	23
	360	1	8	16	37	40	42
P & O	500	84	85	96	1½	4½	8½
(*589)	550	34	43	61	2	18	24
	600	5	19	35	23	45	52
Pilkington	140	25	30	33	1	2½	5½
(*164)	160	6	15	20	2½	8½	13
	180	¾	7	11	18	20	23
Prudential	220	35	39	44	1	2	3½
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	Series	Calls Aug	Nov	Feb	Puts Aug	Nov	Feb
	240	1½	19	29	14	27	29
RTZ	550	43	55	74	1	10	16
(*591)	600	3½	25	45	13	34	37
	650	1	10	23	64	70	74
Scot New	360	55	65	70	1½	2½	5½
(*412)	390	25	40	48	2	8	13
	420	2½	22	30	10	21	28
Tesco	253	19	-	-	1	-	-
(*272)	280	1½	9	18	11	16	18
	300	1	4	10	31	32	33
Thames W.	350	23	33	40	1½	5	8
(*370)	370	4	19	28	3	12	16
	400	1	7½	13	30	32	35
Lucas	140	15	20	22	1½	5	7
(*155)	160	2	8½	11	8	15	18
	180	½	3	-	28	31	-
	Series	Oct	Jan	Apr	Oct	Jan	Apr
Fisons	460	50	63	76	5	10½	15
(*496)	500	23	38	51	18	25	30
	550	5½	17	27	54	55	55
	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Abbey Nat	260	52	60	65	1	2	4
(*307)	280	32	40	49	2	4½	7½
	300	15	27	35	5½	9½	14
Amstrad	45	11½	12½	14	1½	3	3½
(*54)	50	6½	9	11	2½	4½	5½
	60	1½	4½	6½	7½	10	11
Barclays	420	59	72	84	2	5	9½
(*475)	460	24	43	55	8	14½	21
	500	5	20	30	31	35	40
Blue Circ	240	29	36	46	2	5½	8
(*269)	260	14	24	33	7½	12	16
	280	5½	13	24	20	24	27
Br Gas	220	59	65	68	1	1	2
(*276)	240	39	46	48	1	2	4
	260	20	29	32	2½	5½	8
	280	6	15	21	10	13	17
Dixons	220	50	57	60	1	2	4½
(*270)	240	31	40	46	2	6	10
	260	15	26	33	7	14	17
Eurotunnel	420	60	75	90	5	13	20
(*470)	460	32	50	65	15	26	40
	500	10	33	47	40	53	60
Forte	260	24	30	37	2	6	8
(*282)	280	10	16	25	7½	13	16
	300	3	-	-	21	-	-
Glaxo	1250	104	140	174	12	30	42
(*1362)	1300	64	109	142	27	49	59
	1350	32	80	114	54	70	88
Hawker	500	97	110	119	1	5	9
(*600)	550	55	68	87	4½	15	21
	600	24	40	55	21	36	40
Hillsdown	200	41	46	51	1	2	4
(*239)	220	22	29	36	2	6	8½
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	Series	Calls Sep	Dec	Mar	Puts Sep	Dec	Mar
Lonrho	220	29	36	39	1½	4	8½
(*244)	240	12	21	25	6	9	17
	260	3½	12	15	18	22	29
Midland	200	57	65	70	1	3	4½
(*255)	220	38	48	56	1½	5	7½
	240	21	32	42	5	9½	14
	260	9	22	30	14	19½	23
Reuter	750	147	170	190	2½	11	22
(*886)	800	100	131	153	6	22	35
	850	58	97	120	18	39	52
	900	30	67	-	40	62	-
R-Royce	130	9	13½	17	4	6½	9
(*135)	140	3½	9	12	11	12	16
	160	1	3½	5	29	30	30
Sears	70	19	20	21	1	1½	2
(*88)	80	9½	11	14	2	3	4½
	90	2½	5½	9	5½	7½	9
Thorn EMI	700	110	125	133	1	7	10
(*799)	750	60	83	94	4	16	21
	800	24	48	63	18	33	38
	850	6	24	38	50	60	60
TSB	130	32	36	37	1	1½	2½
(*159)	140	22	27	29	1	2½	4½
	160	5½	12	14	6½	8½	10½
Vaal Reefs	60	5	8½	11	4	6½	8
(*559)	70	2	5	6½	11	13	15
Wellcome	650	97	113	135	3	13	19
(*742)	700	55	77	99	11	27	34
	750	25	49	74	29	47	55
	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Eastn Elec	160	19	26	30	1	3	6
(*179)	180	3	12	18	6	10	14
	200	1	4½	8	24	24	26
	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Nat Power	130	26	29	30	1½	2	4
(*154)	140	16	20	24	1½	4½	5½
	160	4	9½	12	10	14	15
Scot Power	90	17	22	-	1	1½	-
(*106)	100	8½	13	-	2½	4½	-
	110	2	7	-	7	10	-

FT-SE INDEX (*2640)

	2450	2500	2550	2600	2650	2700
Calls						
Aug	198	152	98	53	17	4
Sep	224	177	133	92	56	31
Oct	234	195	147	109	81	55
Nov	249	207	171	137	98	70
Dec	-	238	-	150	-	90
Puts						
Aug	1	2	3	6	22	66
Sep	8	10	15	24	43	71
Oct	15	17	27	37	59	85
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Dec	-	35	-	53	-	102

August 23, 1991 Total: 24313 Calls 15642 Puts 8671 FT-SE: Calls 2881 Puts 2300
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Acquisition gives industrial giant global interest in glass containers

Rockware agrees to £197m cash offer from BTR

By Colin Campbell

BTR, the industrial conglomerate, has made an agreed £197.2 million cash offer, at 103p a share, for Rockware Group, the glass packaging and glass crystal maker, in what the market saw as a "knockout" bid.

The offer price represents a 74.6 per cent premium to Rockware's share price ahead of the bid, and equates to 22.3 times Rockware's fully diluted net earnings of 4.62p a share, earned in the year ended December 30.

BTR has already secured acceptances over 23.5 per cent of Rockware's equity, including 15.3 per cent held by Rockware directors, and was a purchaser of Rockware shares in yesterday's market.

Rockware shares jumped from 59p to 105½p. BTR shares fell by 5p to 425p.

Analysts said Rockware shareholders will have been "clapping their hands" at the 103p bid. BTR shares eased in a rising market because of disappointment that this was not the megabid for which the market had been poised.

In its recent history, BTR has made unsuccessful bids for Pilkington in Britain and for the Norton Company of Massachusetts.

Alan Jackson, formerly managing director of BTR Nylex, Australia, was made BTR's chief executive on January 1, since when he has stamped his own authority on the group. Earlier this month, BTR sold Pretty Polly, its hosiery business, for £110 million, and the market has been poised since then for the dealing hand of Mr Jackson to be seen again.

Rockware, whose chairman is Sir Peter Parker, said yesterday that BTR had made the first approach. Frank Davies, the chief executive, said: "We did not seek a suitor.

"Rockware first opened shop in Edinburgh in 1823 making crystals for chandeliers. We now employ 5,500 people. Turnover in the year ended last December was £243.3 million. But we are a small man in a big man's world."

Profitability at Rockware has been held in check, in recent years, because of a high level of capital spend on plant modernisation, the benefits of which have now started to come through, he added.

Mr Jackson conceded that BTR's £197.2 million bid might appear high, but said there was tremendous industrial logic in the deal, that both groups knew each other through joint ventures, and that the Rockware fit would make BTR a "global" concern in terms of glass container manufacturing.

Rockware has an estimated 33 per cent share of the British glass market, and a strong foothold in Europe. However, it has no direct interests in Australia.

BTR, through its 61.5 per cent owned BTR Nylex subsidiary, is particularly strong in Australia.

It is BTR's aim to expand and develop "global" businesses, Mr Jackson said. "We will achieve this by the active management of assets, including further acquisitions and disposals, by entering into joint venture agreements and the cross fertilisation of products, processes and technologies," he added.

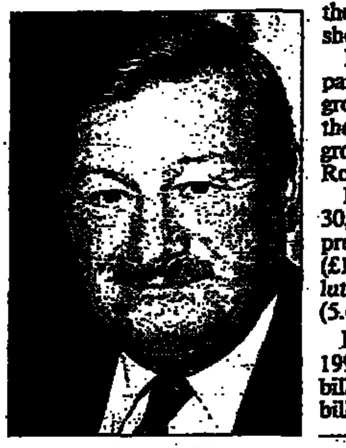
BTR is offering a share alternative for all or part of the cash element of the bid on terms of one BTR share for every four Rockware shares. Based on prices ahead of the bid, the share alternative values each Rockware share at 107.5p

BTR's interim results for the six months to the end of June are due on September 5. Rockware's interim results for the same period are due shortly afterwards.

Rockware will operate as part of Nylex's packaging group, and it is intended that the Australian quoted Nylex group will hold 49 per cent of Rockware's equity.

In the year ended December 30, 1990, Rockware reported pre-tax profits of £9.2 million (£10.9 million) and fully diluted net earnings of 4.62p (5.6p) a share.

BTR's pre-tax profits in 1990 were £966 million (£1.06 billion) on a turnover of £6.7 billion (£6.9 billion).



Davies: joining big men

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Calling card: Sir Peter Parker's Rockware Group was approached by suitor BTR

London and Wall Street peak as dollar rises

By Colin Narbrough and George Sivell

THE biggest monthly jump in durable goods orders for 20 years reinforced signs of economic recovery in America, dampening hopes of an early cut in interest rates and pushed the dollar up sharply.

Wall Street was 39 points up at 3,046.51 at lunchtime in New York, setting a new trading record as investors hoped for an end to the American recession. London ended a dramatic week with a fresh high. The FT-SE 100 index ended 17.7 points up at 2640.7.

The prospect of increased trade with eastern bloc countries supported many shares of large exporters.

The dollar climbed back above the DM1.7645 level it closed at last Friday, before the coup in the Soviet Union, and the subsequent collapse of the hardliner *putsch*, sent it on a roller-coaster ride.

Official figures showed American durable goods orders up 10.7 per cent in July, more than tenfold the increase Wall Street had been expecting. In June, there was a 1 per cent fall. Even stripped of the erratic transport item, aircraft, orders rose 6 per cent.

Although notoriously volatile, the orders data were seen as fresh confirmation that American industry was recovering well from recession, suggesting annualised growth of between 3 and 4 per cent in the current quarter.

Against this background, the Federal Reserve, which had earlier this week been widely expected to ease the monetary reins to counter possible damage to confidence from Soviet developments, is now considered likely to leave policy unchanged.

Ian Amstad, senior economist at Chase Manhattan Bank, noted that while business confidence was rising in America, demand indicators were still not showing the strength seen in the orders and production data, suggesting the recovery in America could be export rather than consumer-led.

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CBI forecast gives boost to Chancellor's recovery claim

By Colin Narbrough, Economics Correspondent

THE government's prediction of economic recovery this year, still doubted in the City, has secured important backing in the latest quarterly forecast from the Confederation of British Industry.

But while the CBI expects a "statistical recovery", or "slight upturn in overall activity", by the end of 1991, it foresees more significant recovery only starting next year. Manufacturing output is not expected to return to pre-recession levels until the fourth quarter of 1992.

Despite coming into line with the Treasury on early recovery, the employers' organisation remains concerned about business confidence and urges that further cuts in interest rates "should not be delayed too long".

The economy, as measured by the output measure of the gross domestic product, is now forecast to decline 2.5 per cent this year, somewhat gloomier than in the CBI's March forecast and the Treasury's prediction of a 2 per cent fall. The pace of growth next year has also been downgraded in the forecast, from 2 per cent to 1.5 per cent.

The prognosis, heavily influenced by the CBI's monthly survey evidence, concurs with the view of Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, that the recovery will be led by a revival in consumer spending. But it adds that this will be supported by strong export performance in 1992.

The main risks to recovery are identified as possible consumer reluctance to wind down savings as unemployment continues to rise, no rebound in investment, and slower than expected growth in world trade.

The CBI underlines that the upturn this year will not affect all sectors, with manufacturing output expected to pick up only early next year, and it will "still feel like recession for some months to come".

The confederation's accompanying monthly trends enquiry reports firms expecting a slight upturn in activity in some industries, including chemicals and food, drink and tobacco.

David Wigglesworth, chairman of the CBI economic situation committee, said: "Life is still extremely tough for manufacturing industry, but the downturn appears to be easing." He said the organisation would, however, need to wait until the next survey in October to be sure the bottom has been reached.

The August survey showed manufacturing demand well below normal, while the deterioration in order books appeared as though it might be coming to an end. Manufacturers expect output to continue to decline for four months, albeit at a slower rate.

For the first time since February 1967, more firms expect to cut factory gate prices in the next four months than to increase them. The CBI foresees annual retail price inflation at 3.9 per cent, against its previous forecast of 4.1 per cent.

The improved inflation outlook is seen as allowing Mr Lamont to reduce base rates by a further percentage point to 10 per cent this year, with a further one point cut in 1992.

Average earnings growth is expected to drop back to 6.1 per cent in the fourth quarter of 1992 from 7 per cent in the final quarter this year. The number of jobless is forecast to rise to 2.8 million in 1992 from 2.4 million this year.

☐ Ian Harnett, chief economist at Strauss Turnbull, questioned the net benefit of government policy of squeezing inflation out of the economy by suppressing demand over the past three years.

The worrying factor for the government, he said, is that during the recession underlying inflation has fallen only from 8.2 per cent to 6.8 per cent, while producer price inflation has shown even less improvement. Average earnings have fallen, but he sees this process reversing when the economy starts to recover. Previous help from a strong exchange rate in bringing inflation down would now be absent.

Petition launched for more BCCI aid

By Neil Bennett
Banking Correspondent

DEPOSITORS in the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International are flying to the Gulf next week to deliver a petition asking the ruler of Abu Dhabi for more financial aid and to open a new bank to take over BCCI's business.

A delegation of depositors and their advisers will be led by Keith Vaz, Labour MP for Leicester East, and a Conservative MP, as yet unnamed.

The petition will thank Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan, BCCI's leading shareholder, for his help so far, but call on him to provide further financial assistance. It will be available for signing at the office of Halpern & Woolf, the accountant, this weekend.

Solicitors for some BCCI depositors have launched a petition in the High Court to have Halpern & Woolf appointed joint liquidator for BCCI in Britain. The petition will be heard on Tuesday. Zaiwalla & Co, the solicitor, has launched the action on behalf of Mohammed Khasruzzaman and his wife, Rabha, who this week issued a $600,000 writ against Price Waterhouse, BCCI's former auditor, alleging negligence. Price Waterhouse denies liability.

Other BCCI depositors have called for Cork Gully to be appointed provisional liquidator with Touche Ross.

ADT shares slide as concern mounts

By Angela Mackay

SHARES in ADT, the Bermuda security and car auction group chaired by Michael Ashcroft, plunged 45p to 493p yesterday after questions were raised about the company's underlying real earnings.

This concern was exacerbated by the company's decison to announce interim results on bank holiday Monday. ADT countered that it was not a public holiday in New York, where its shares began trading on Wednesday. ADT also said the company's biggest shareholder, Laidlaw, the Canadian waste disposal and bus group, had insisted the results be published on the first working day after the board meeting, which was held in Montreal yesterday.

After a lacklustre debut on the New York Stock Exchange, ADT shares fell 75 cents to $8.50 last night.

ADT is still seeking four non-executive directors for its audit committee, created under mandatory NYSE listing requirements. Four Laidlaw nominees have already joined the board after the Canadian group threatened to sue ADT and Mr Ashcroft. The dispute was settled outside court in April.

Shares dropped to a low of 488p in London yesterday before recovering a little.

Analysts at James Capel said they were expecting interim pre-tax profits to fall from $145 million to about $85 million. They also expected the interim dividend to be passed or cut sharply.

Wassall to pay $90m for DAP

By Martin Barrow

Miller: payout promise

WASSALL, the mini-conglomerate run by former Hanson executives, has returned to the acquisition trail to secure its first significant American business.

Almost 18 months after winning a £50 million takeover battle for Metal Closures Group in Britain, Wassall has announced the $90 million purchase of DAP, a branded building products company.

The acquisition is to be financed by the placing of 39.1 million new shares, subject to a one-for-one open offer to qualifying shareholders at 150p a share. The placing has been underwritten by Lazard Brothers. Hanson has agreed to subscribe for its full entitlement in respect of an 8.1 per cent holding in Wassall. Existing shares rose 8p to 172p.

Wassall also reported pre-tax profits of £3.12 million for the six months ended June, (£3.05 million). There is an interim dividend of 1p (0.9p), and Christopher Miller, chief executive, has promised a final dividend of at least 1.75p (1.6p).

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Firm aims to restore credibility

Salomon takes emergency action

From Philip Robinson in New York

SALOMON Brothers has instituted emergency plans to keep its business running amid the fallout from the Treasury bond scandal that is losing it business and tarnishing its image.

The plan, drawn up three years ago, was put into action late on Thursday night after Wall Street speculated that Salomon was having difficulty selling its commercial paper, short-term IOUs that provide day-to-day working capital.

Donald Howard, Salomon's finance director, said the plan was designed to give the investment bank 60 days to gain credibility in the marketplace. He added: "I hope that in 60 days we will have that credibility. As long as the contingency plan is operating, we don't expect to have any funding problems for several weeks."

Salomon said it would make a substantial but unspecified charge against profits when reporting its next set of figures in two months, to cover fines and other penalties resulting from the scandal.

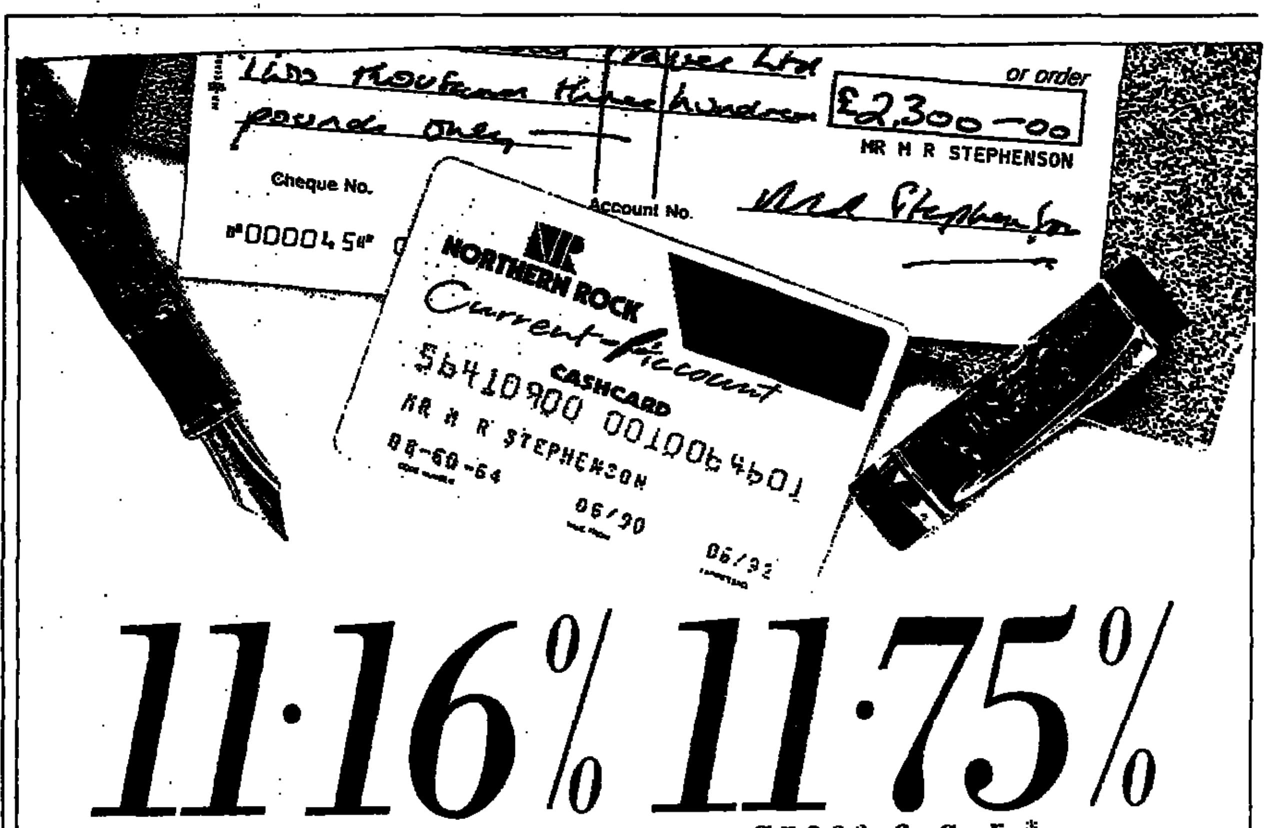
The justice department, meanwhile, said it was considering bringing criminal charges against traders at Salomon and other firms on anti-competition grounds. Salomon's three most senior executives resigned last Sunday after admitting that illegal activities in the American government $2,200 billion Treasury bond market were known to them but that they failed to report to regulators.

John Gutfreund was replaced as chairman and chief executive by Warren Buffett, the investor, with Deryck Maughan, a Briton, running the bank day to day as chief operating officer. Salomon's contingency plan draws on lessons that Salomon says it learned from watching Drexel Burnham Lambert's business drain away during its years of government investigation and civil legal actions.

Salomon is facing nine lawsuits from shareholders and others who believe they have been hurt by the investment bank's actions. At first Salomon denied it had problems selling its paper, but later admitted it had withdrawn from selling this form of short-term debt. There had been reports that investors holding 80 per cent of a $780 million IOU wanted their money back early.

Salomon is under investigation by at least four government agencies and, as a result, several of its customers have refused to give it any more business until enquiries are complete. The Treasury has banned the bank from dealing in the government bond market for its customers.

The firm's shares staged a mild recovery last night, adding $3/8 to $23 3/8.



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STOCK MARKET

Strong opening on Wall St helps index march to new closing high

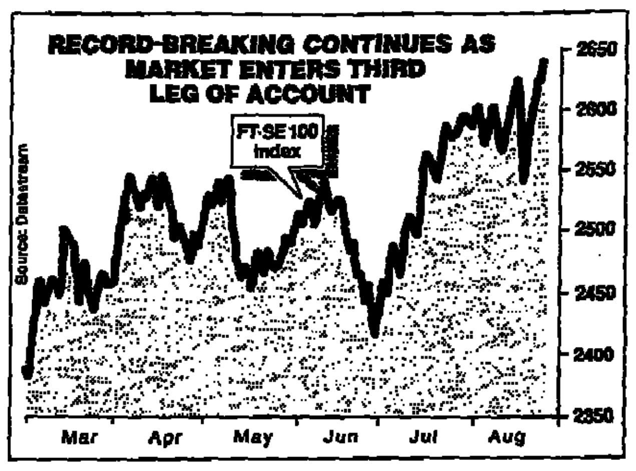
SHARE prices continued their record-breaking run as the bears struggled to cover short positions in both the equity and futures markets in the wake of Red Monday. The bout of profit-taking that dealers had expected before the bank holiday failed to appear as fund managers ploughed fresh funds into the market, in the knowledge that share shortages would underpin any falls that the profit-taking would bring.

Benefiting from an early rise of 42 points in the Dow Jones industrial average on Wall Street, the FT-SE 100 index closed near its best of the day with a rise of 17.7 points to a new closing high of 2,640.7. The narrower FT index of 30 shares advanced 13.2 points to 2,069.3, with 465 million shares changing hands. The latest economic survey from the CBI, which contained a warning that there were few signs of an upturn, was largely ignored. Government securities rounded off a lacklustre day with losses of £¼ at the longer end.

Reuters, the international news agency and financial information group, returned to favour among American investors with a rise of 27p to 886p after strong support for the shares overnight in New York. Hoare Govett, the broker, remains optimistic about Reuters' prospects and continues to recommend the shares. Glaxo shrugged off an opening fall to finish 19p better at £13.62 despite the claims made this week by UBS Phillips & Drew, the broker, that the shares were looking expensive and that the group was facing increased competition in the anti-asthma sector from Astra, its Swedish rival.

Rockware, the glass container group, soared 46p to 105p on news of the agreed £197 million offer from **BTR**, the industrial conglomerate, which made an abortive bid for Pilkington, the glass manufacturer, in 1987. BTR, down 5p at 425p, is offering 103p a share. The deal will make it the biggest manufacturer of glass containers in Britain. The speculators had been hoping that BTR would renew its fight for **Pilkington**, which recovered from an early fall to close 1p firmer at 164p. BTR still owns about 3 per cent of Pilkington and the prospect of another takeover attempt is not being ruled out. BTR has been looking for acquisitions for some time in order to boost its earnings. Analysts are convinced that Rockware is the first in a series of deals.

Hazlewood Foods advanced 8p to 203p, helped by some comments from Kleinwort Benson, the broker, which has just completed a review of the company. Hazlewood failed to make the most of the market's record-breaking run, but Kleinwort insists the shares are good value for money.


RECORD-BREAKING CONTINUES AS MARKET ENTERS THIRD LEG OF ACCOUNT

Meanwhile, **Wyevale Garden Centres**, which is quoted on the USM, is making an agreed £17 million offer for its rival **Cramphorn**, 19p better at 100p. The offer, valuing Cramphorn at 102p a share, has already been accepted by its directors, holding almost 14 per cent of the equity. The deal will create Britain's biggest garden centres chain. Wyevale was 1p easier at 163p. Attempts by **BAT Industries** to claw back some of Thursday's fall in the share price, which was prompted by the news of heavy losses at Eagle Star, its insurance subsidiary, met with only minimal success as the price ended 2p firmer at 685p. Dealers have been left wondering if other insurance companies have been playing down the extent of their losses on the mortgage guarantee side.

Granada Group slipped 4p to 173p after County NatWest WoodMac urged clients to switch into Rank Organisation, 8p better at 731p. County says that Rank may still have a few problems but will quickly benefit from any upturn in consumer spending in both Britain and America.

This left **Royal Insurance** 5p lower at 400p and **Sun Alliance** 2p cheaper at 364p. **Commercial Union** improved 1p to 318p, while **General Accident**, at 538p, and **Guardian Royal Exchange**, at 186p, were steady.

Grand Metropolitan, the drinks group, jumped 14p to 828p on revived talk that it may be thinking about disposing of its Burger King fast-food chain, which it acquired with Pillsbury. The company has already denied the claims but the rumour refuses to go.

Shares in **ASB Barnett Kinnings**, the employment agency, were halved to 7p with the group saying that it was still on the lookout for acquisitions. The shares returned from suspension on Thursday at 23p after a breakdown in talks about an acquisition. Bob Holt, the chief executive, said that he knew of no reason for the fall in the share price. He added: "The company's financial position remains sound."

MICHAEL CLARK

TOKYO

Nikkei down 2% on profit taking

Tokyo

SHARES fell sharply. The Nikkei index dropped 450.43 points, or 2 per cent, to 22,065.34. Profit-taking began after the previous three days of gains failed to recoup Monday's losses. Investors returned to the sidelines as the failure of the Soviet coup refocused the market on excess supply and worries about the broking scandal.

A broker at a foreign firm said: "Today was just normal profit-taking on a Friday. The market is basically in neutral and waiting for Monday."

The Nikkei has lost 749.03 points, or 3.28 per cent, on the week. Turnover was an estimated 200 million shares compared with 356 million on Thursday, back to last week's level after averaging 350 million during the last four days.

☐ **New York** — Prices were solidly higher in mid-morning while blue chips lost some early gains. The Dow Jones industrial average was 30 points ahead at 3,037.38 after climbing to 3,049. Cyclical shares were boosted by renewed optimism about the American economy after a sharp jump of 10.7 per cent in July's durable goods orders.

☐ **Frankfurt** — Losses on profit-taking after a dramatic 8.9 per cent rise in prices since Tuesday were quickly reversed as selling tailed off. The Dax index ended 3.59 points lower at 1,627.24.

☐ **Singapore** — Shares fell across the board but Singapore Electronic and Engineering's strong debut stole the limelight in an otherwise dull market. The Straits Times industrial index lost 23.14 points to 1,388.87.

☐ **Hong Kong** — Prices ended easier but off the day's lows in quiet dealings. The Hang Seng index eased 24.55 to 4,021.02.

☐ **Sydney** — The market tracked Tokyo to close weaker amid light profit-taking in lacklustre trading. The all-ordinaries index lost 11.2 points at 1,540.8. *(Reuter)*

WALL STREET

	Aug 23 midday	Aug 22 close
Abbott Lab	54%	54%
Aetna Life	35%	35%
Ahmanson	19%	19%
Air Prods	69%	67%
Albertsons	44	42%
Alcan Al	20%	20%
Alco Stand	33%	33%
Allied Signal	39%	38%
Alumin CA	69%	68%
Am Brands	45%	45
Am Cyanmd	65%	65%
Am EPC	29%	30
Am General	39%	38%
Am Home	63%	63
Am Intl	85	85%
Am Stores	40%	40%
Amax	21%	21%
Amer Hess	59%	57%
Ameritech	62%	62
Amex	25%	25
Amoco	52%	52%
AMP	53	52
AMR	60%	58%
Anheuser-B	54%	54%
Apple Comp	64%	53%
Archer-Dan	26%	25%
Arkla	16%	16%
Armco	4%	4%
Armstrong	32%	31%
Asarco	25%	24%
Ashland Oil	30%	30
AT&T	39%	39%
Atlan Richfld	121%	121%
Auto DP	33%	33
Avery Denn	23%	23%
Avon Prod	48%	48%
Baltimore	31%	31%
Banc One	46%	46
Bankamerica	43%	43%
Bard	24%	24%
Barnett Bk	34%	34%
Bausch Lmb	47%	46%
Baxter Intl	36	35%
Bec Dickn	69%	60%
Bell Atlan	48%	48
Bellsouth	46%	47%
Bkr Hughes	24%	24%
Black Decker	16%	16%
Block	59%	58%
Bnkrs Tst NY	59	59%
Boeing	49%	48%
Boise Casc	26%	25%
Borden	36%	36%
Brist-Myer	65%	65%
Browng-Fer	27%	27%
Burl Nth	33%	32%
CAI	8%	8%
Campbell Sp	65%	65%
Cap Cities	441%	437
Capital HC	48%	49%
Carolina	47%	47%
Caterpillar	48%	47%
CBS	160%	159%
Central SW	47%	47%
Champion	28%	25%
Chase Man	20%	20%
Chem Bnkg	26%	26%
Chevron	71%	71%
Chrysler	11%	11%
Chubb	64	64
Cigna	43	42%
Citicorp	15	14%
Clbrne Liz	46%	45%
Clorox	39%	39%
Cmwlth Eds	36%	38%
CNA Fincl	85%	84%
Coastal	31	31%
Coca-Cola	65%	64%
Colgate-Pal	40%	40
Columb Gas	18	16%
Compaq	35%	34%
Conagra	48%	48%
Cons Edis	25%	25%
Cons NG	40%	39%
Cons Rail	70%	70%
Cooper Ind	56%	54%
Corning	69	67%
CPC Intl	91	90%
Crown Cork	88	87
CSX	50%	49%
Dana	30%	29%
Dayton-Hud	77%	77%
Deere	52%	50%
Delta Air	67%	68%
Deluxe	46%	45%
Detroit Ed	30%	30%
Digital Eq	62%	61%
Dillard	130%	130%
Disney	118%	118%
Dominion	51%	51%
Donnelley	48%	45%
Dover	35%	38%
Dow Chem	59%	62%
Dow Jones	26	26%
Dresser Ind	21	21
Du Pont	48%	48%
Duke Pwr	30%	30%
Dun Bradst	44%	44%
East Kodak	44%	43%
Eaton	64%	63%
Emerson El	46%	46%

	Aug 23 midday	Aug 22 close
Enron	61%	61%
Ensrch	24%	24%
Ethyl	26%	26
Exxon	59%	58%
Fed NMA	61%	61%
Fedrl Exprs	40	39%
Flt Norstr	25%	25%
Fluor	44%	43%
FMC	48%	48
Ford Motor	30%	30%
FPL	33%	33%
Fst Chicago	27%	27%
Fst Intrste	35	34%
Fst Union	27	28%
Gannett	46%	44%
GAP	45%	44%
Gen Cinema	22%	22%
Gen Elec	74%	73
Gen Mills	59%	83
Gen Motors	37%	36%
Gen RE	87%	87
Gen Signal	43%	42%
Genuine Pts	41%	41%
Georgia-Pac	57%	55%
Gillette	42%	42%
Goodrich	44%	42%
Goodyear	37%	37%
Grace	37%	37%
Greyhound	36	35%
Gt Atlantic	42%	41%
Gt Western	20	19%
GTE	29%	29%
Hallibrtn	39%	39%
Heinz	44%	45%
Hercules	40%	40%
Hershey Fd	41%	41%
Hewlett Pkd	53%	52%
Hilton Htl	40%	40%
Home Depot	52%	52%
Homestake	14%	15
Honeywell	58	56
Houston Ind	37%	37%
Hsehld Intl	56%	56%
Humana	32%	32%
IBM	95%	94%
IF&F	83	82%
Illinois TW	63	60%
Inco	35%	34%
Ingsol-Rand	50	47%
Inland Steel	21%	21%
Intel	50%	50
Intl Paper	70	66%
ITT	60%	59%
James River	22%	22
Johnsn Jhsn	92%	91%
K Mart	45%	44%
Kellogg	110	108%
Kerr-McGee	42%	42%
Kimbly-Clrk	94%	93%
Knight-Riddr	54%	55%
Lilly	81%	80%
Limited	28%	28%
Lin Brdcstg	73%	73%
Lincln Nat	48%	48%
Litton Ind	86%	86
Lockheed	44%	44%
Louis-Pac	43	42
Manfr Hano	30%	30%
Marriott	16%	17
Marsh Mclen	78	77
Martin Mar	58	57%
Masco	22%	23%
May Dept	58%	57%
Maytag	15%	15
McDnl Doug	62%	51%
McDonalds	32%	32%
McGraw-Hill	54%	54%
MCI Com	29%	29%
Mead	33%	32%
Medtronic	129	129%
Mellon Bk	34%	35
Melville	48%	48%
Merck	128%	126%
Merll Lynch	42%	41%
Minnesota	87%	87
Mobil	67%	68%
Monsanto	75%	75%
Moore	25%	25%
Morgan JP	55%	53%
Motorola	68%	67%
Nat Medical	47%	48%
Nat Semi	5%	5%
Nat Service	24%	24%
Navistar	3	3%
NCNB	38%	38%
NCR	108%	109
NED Bncp	41%	41%
Newmnt Mn	35%	35%
Niagr Mhwk	16%	16%
Nike	48%	47%
NL Indstrs	15%	15
Nordstrom	50%	51
Norflk Sthn	50%	50
Norwest	32%	32%
Nthn St Pwr	37%	37%
Nthn Telcm	40%	38%
NY Times	22%	22%
Nynex	75%	74%
Occid Petrl	24%	24%
Ohio Ed	19%	19%
Oracle Sys	10%	10%

	Aug 23 midday	Aug 22 close
Oryx Energy	33%	32%
Pac Ent	29%	28%
Pac Gas Elec	27%	27%
Pac Telesis	43	42%
Paccar	44%	43%
Pacificorp	22%	22%
Pall	39%	39%
Paramount	38%	38%
Parker-Hanfn	26%	26%
Penney	53	52%
Pennzoil	66%	65%
Pepsico	33%	32%
Pfizer	65%	64%
Phlps Pet	25%	25%
Phlps Elec	27%	27%
Phlp Morris	74%	73%
Phlps Dodge	66%	65%
Pitney Bow	61%	61%
Placer Dm	11%	12
PNC Fncl	41%	40%
Pnndle Estn	12%	12%
Polaroid	25%	25%
PPG Inds	57%	54%
Prctr Gmble	84%	81%
Price	62	61%
Primerica	33%	34
Pub Service	28%	28%
Quaker Oats	60%	60%
Ralston Pur	52%	52%
Raychem	30%	29%
Raytheon	85%	85%
Reebok	32%	31%
Roadway	50%	49%
Rockwell	27	28%
Rohm Haas	45%	44
Royal Dutch	80%	80%
Rubbermaid	59	57%
Rynlds Mtl	61%	58%
Safeco	40%	38%
Salomon	23%	22%
Sant Fe Pac	9%	9%
Sara Lee	45%	45%
Scecorp	43%	43%
Schlumbgr	70%	70%
Schrg-Plgh	56%	56%
Scott Papr	41%	40%
Seagram	113	110%
Sears Rbk	43	42%
Securty Pac	35%	35%
Shrwn-Wllms	24%	24%
Skyline	14%	14%
Snap-on Tls	32%	32%
Southern	27%	27%
St Paul	67%	66%
Stanley Wk	40%	40
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Sun Co	31%	30%
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Super Valu	27%	28%
SW Bell	54%	53%
Syntex	46%	45%
Sysco	48	45%
Tandem	12%	12%
Tandy	28	27%
Tele-comm	13%	13%
Teledyne	20%	20%
Temple-In	46%	47%
Tenneco	42%	41
Texaco	63	62%
Texas Inst	31%	31%
Texas Util	38%	38%
Textron	33%	33%
Time Wrnr	84%	83%
Times Mir	32	32
Timken	27%	27%
Torchmark	49%	49
Toys R Us	32%	32%
Transam	35%	34%
Travelers	19%	19%
Tribune	46%	46%
TRW	44%	43%
Tyco Lab	41%	41
UAL	139%	135
Un Camp	45	45%
Un Carbide	22	21%
Un Pacific	87%	88%
Unilever	80%	81%
Unisys	n/a	n/a
Unocal	26%	25%
Upjohn	44%	44
US Life	42%	41%
US West	38%	38%
Usair Gp	13%	13
USF&G	7	8%
UST	48%	48
USX Mar	31%	30%
Utd Tech	48%	48%
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Whirlpool	37%	38%
Whitman	13	13%
Winn-Dixie	37%	35%
Woolworth	30%	29%
Wrigley	62%	61%
Wrner-Lamb	70%	68%
Xerox	58%	58%

FT-SE 100 VOLUMES

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
Abbey Nat	2,447	Cadbury	1,794	Lonrho	1,004	Royal Bank	617
Alld-Lyons	590	CU	788	Lucas	1,288	*Royal Ins*	1,825
Anglian	411	Courtaulds	861	M&S	2,489	Sainsbury	1,613
ASDA	4,893	Enterprise	70	*Maxwell Cm*	39	Scot & N	622
AB Foods	557	Eurotunnel	206	MEPC	8	Scot Power	4,558
Argyll	1,509	*Fisons*	1,230	*Midland*	1,717	Sears	1,296
Arjo Wigg	339	Forte	1,489	Natl Power	6,115	Severn Trnt	375
BAA	105	Gen Acc	852	Nat West	2,348	Shell	973
BET	600	GEC	7,916	N W Water	1,022	Smith & N	3,757
BTR	3,349	Glaxo	1,756	P&O	1,457	SK Beech	1,378
BAT	5,913	Grand Met	1,806	Pearson	403	Sun Allnce	1,427
Barclays	2,038	GUS 'A'	823	Pilkington	1,693	Tarmac	4,098
Bass	4,012	GRE	1,400	*PowerGen*	4,617	*Tate Lyle*	954
BICC	827	Guinness	1,241	Prudential	2,458	TSB	4,936
Bk Scotlnd	758	Hanson	4,190	*Racal*	8,855	Tesco	1,893
Blue Circle	2,474	Hawker	769	Rank	2,137	Thames Wtr	2,297
BOC	1,074	*Hillsdown*	898	*R&C*	900	Thorn EMI	837
Boots	1,772	ICI	391	Redland	1,302	Trafalgar	2,052
Br Aero	1,081	Inchcape	206	Reed	1,573	Ultramar	854
Br Airways	2,624	Kingfisher	784	Rentokil	385	*Unilever*	1,416
Br Gas	4,472	Lasmo	705	Reuters	1,891	United Bis	1,109
Br Petrol	7,101	Ladbroke	1,527	*RMC Gp*	115	Wellcome	502
Br Steel	3,614	Land Sec	1,201	RTZ	894	Whitbrd	213
Br Telecm	5,288	L&G	3,507	*R-Royce*	8,890	Williams	719
C&W	1,699	Lloyds	2,132	Rothmans 'B'	385	Willis Cor	388

MAJOR INDICES

New York:
Dow Jones .... 3048.30 (+40.92)*
S&P Composite .... 393.97 (+2.64)*
Tokyo:
Nikkei Average ... 22065.34 (−450.43)
Hong Kong:
Heng Seng .... 4021.02 (−24.55)
FT-SE Euro 100 .... 1112.85 (+4.24)
Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency .... 91.6 (+0.2)
Sydney: AO .... 1540.8 (−11.2)
Frankfurt: DAX .... 1627.24 (−3.59)
Brussels:
General .... 5612.65 (−44.69)
Paris: CAC .... *477.64 (+4.48)*
London:
FT.—A All-Share .... 1284.73 (+7.57)
FT.— "500" .... 1402.75 (+8.93)
FT. Gold Mines .... 162.0 (−5.7)
FT. Fixed interest .... 94.91 (−0.02)
FT. Govt Secs .... 85.94 (same)
Bargains 32495
SEAQ Volume *465.5m*
USM (Datastream) .... 124.59 (+0.08)
*Denotes latest trading price

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Aberforth Smlr (100p)	120
Aberforth Split (100p)	103
Airbreak Leis	39 −½
Alliance Res	20
Capital Ventures	110
Claremont Gmts (175p)	194 +2
Contra-Cyclical (100p)	108
County Smlr Inv	95
Culver Hldgs (4p)	5½
Drayton Blue Chip (100p)	100
EFM Inc Tst (65p)	67
East Germany Inv (100p)	120
Etonbrook	69 +1
Eurocamp (225p)	245
Fleming Emerg Mkt	99
Gartmore Inc (100p)	109
Gartmore Cap (100p)	109
Geared Inc (100p)	100
Greencore	233
Headline Book (100p)	129
Lowndes Lambert (290p)	321 +5
Manchester Utd (385p)	*270 +4*
Mirror Group (125p)	103
Moorgate Smlr Cos (100p)	109
Oryx Gold	231 −25
Simpson of Cornhl	48 −1
Sterling Tst	45
Tollgate	95 +10
Trio Inv Tst (50p)	44
US Smaller	102

● *See main prices page for Electricity shares*

RIGHTS ISSUES

Alan Paul N/P	¾ +½
Allied Holograph N/P	12
Beaverco N/P	1¼
Bimec Ind N/P	24½ −1
Explaura N/P	½
Navan Res N/P	1¼
Pelican Gp N/P	2
Try Gp N/P	5

(Issue price in brackets).

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
August 19	September 6	November 21	December 2

Call options were taken out on: 23/8/91 Blacks Leisure, Caskel, Cityvision, Conrad, Control Secs, Owners Abroad, Kunick, Ratners, Thames TV.

UNIT LINKED INSURANCE INVESTMENTS

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE 401, St John Street, London EC1V 4QE 071-637 6494 *Life Funds*				
Squirrel	15.36	16.19	+0.02	..
Bear	15.45	16.27	−0.01	..
Owl	15.71	16.54	−0.03	..
Bull	14.25	15.00	−0.17	..
Stag	14.58	15.35	−0.20	..
Gilt Edged	14.36		+0.02	..
Deposit	13.69		+0.02	..
Pensions				
Squirrel	19.81	20.85	+0.05	..
Bear	19.84	20.88	−0.02	..
Owl	20.10	21.16	−0.05	..
Bull	17.32	18.24	−0.24	..
Stag	17.04	17.94	−0.26	..
Gilt Edged	16.89		+0.04	..
Deposit	18.61		+0.03	..
Exempt App Mixed	185.7	189.5	−0.93	..
ABBEY LIFE 80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0202 292373				
Property Fund Inc	274.1	288.6	+1.4	..
Do Accum	445.3	468.8	+2.3	..
Equity Fund Income	134.5	141.6	−0.1	..
Do Accum	165.1	173.8	..	..
Selective Fund	367.1	386.5	+0.1	..
Money Fund	315.7	332.4	+0.6	..
Prop Fd Ser 4	356.1	374.9	+1.7	..
Equity Ser 4	166.9	175.7	..	..
Man Ser 4	482.8	508.0	−0.9	..
Conv Ser 4	279.3	294.0	+0.5	..
Money Ser 4	279.1	293.8	+0.5	..
Fixed Int Fd Ser 4	263.4	277.3	+0.3	..
American Ser 4	361.4	380.5	−1.0	..
High Inc Ser 4	502.6	529.1	−0.1	..
Indexed Inv Ser 4	156.2	164.5	−0.2	..
Japan Ser 4	282.9	297.8	−2.6	..

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Cash	189.3	199.3	+0.1	..
Can Life Euro Mg Fd	244.7	257.6	−3.6	..
Can Life Int Fd	253.3	266.7	−2.2	..
CANNON ASSURANCE 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081-902 8876				
Capital Gth Acc	97.9	103.6	−0.1	..
Equity Units	£37.85		−0.28	..
Property Units	£27.3		..	..
Bal Bd Exec Unit	£48.44	52.32	−0.34	..
2nd Equity Accum	498.3	525.2	−1.4	..
2nd High Inc/Accum	494.9	512.2	−1.9	..
2nd Property Accum	250.5	265.1	..	..
2nd Managed 2 Acc	140.7	148.9	−0.3	..
2nd Managed Acc	347.3	367.5	−2.2	..
2nd Managed 4 Acc	164.0	173.5	−1.9	..
2nd Deposit Accum	242.2	258.3	+0.5	..
2nd Gilt Accum	228.3	241.6	+0.5	..
2nd Amer Accum	429.8	454.8	−3.1	..
2nd Intl Money Ac	209.5	221.7	−0.6	..
2nd Index Accum	147.9	156.5	+0.5	..
2nd Far East Accum	311.4	329.5	−9.7	..
2nd Global Accum	118.8	125.7	−2.1	..
2nd Euro Accum	114.9	121.5	−4.0	..
2nd Japan Accum	170.1	180.0	−2.0	..
2nd Heritage Acc	71.5	75.7	..	..
2nd Intl Curr Bond	114.5	121.2	−0.3	..
CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE Sentry House, 500, Avebury Blvd, Cntl Milton Keynes MK9 2LA 0908-606101				
Property Fund	200.7	211.3	..	..
Money Fund	322.0	339.0	+0.3	..
Managed Fund	446.7	470.3	+0.1	..
Equity Fund	262.8	276.7	−0.5	..
Fixed Interest Fund	175.0	184.3	..	..
Far East Fund	387.3	407.7	..	..
Nth Amer Fund	111.7	117.6	..	..
Nat Resources Fund	236.0	248.5	..	..

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WEEKEND MONEY

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When a broker's word is his bond

COMMENT

LINDSAY COOK
WEEKEND MONEY EDITOR

The Investors Compensation Scheme annual report published this week poses an interesting conundrum: when is an investment sold by a registered investment adviser not an investment? More important, it indicates a way round the problem for those whose adviser has done a bunk with the money.

The investments in question are bonds or certificates issued by brokers in their own name. For the purposes of the Financial Services Act, these are not an investment if the money is not passed on to a third party.

This rule was devised to prevent local authorities, which issue bonds, and companies issuing debentures, from having to register under the act to conduct investment business. It means that such bonds are not regulated. They are not illegal either.

Investors have to take care or they may end up heavily out of pocket with no course of redress should the broker fail or take to the gambling tables. It appears, however, that members of the public can be covered by the compensation scheme if the broker advised them to invest. This would be deemed negligent advice if it later turned out that he was taking the money for his own purposes.

Should he run a number of companies, the investor may also be able to claim from the scheme if money invested was transferred to a sister company, authorised under the Financial Services Act, before being removed and spent. Investors have to be grateful that the scheme can work in such convoluted ways, as it gives them a chance of getting their money back.

Investors who might be worrying about a bond they have already bought can only hope that their broker was a smooth talker who persuaded them to invest or that he carried on the facade of investing in another company.

Those who invested after hearing from friends or neighbours of the wonderful return they were getting will not be able to claim they were badly advised by the broker and claim compensation.

Those currently tempted by high interest rates should be wary. Invariably, over-generous returns lead to grief. Investors also need to know where any money is going to be held if a bond is issued by a broker. They must also remember that guarantees count for little. Failure to meet a guarantee is not covered by the scheme.

Lax tax

Few taxpayers can live up to the standards set by the reader whose case is detailed on page 30. Unfortunately, all too often it seems tax officials are just as lax and tardy as his experience shows.

Readers' letters frequently complain of tussles over tax demands that take weeks of detailed correspondence to sort out. Taxpayers due a substantial rebate can receive a demand for more than the amount they are owed. Despite the injustice, they can be threatened with the bailiffs for non-payment when it is they that should be putting debt collectors on to their tax office.

Local tax enquiry centres should be able to help a great many people, but when the tax inspector concerned has made a number of basic mistakes in his or her calculations, the procedure may be lengthy.

Taxpayers also need a clear grasp of the tax laws to make sure they do not pay too much. The reader has been punctilious in filling in his tax returns within 30 days of receiving them. He carefully appends a list of all dividend income, and details the interest on all bank and building society accounts.

Most individuals struggle to get them in by the end of October to avoid paying interest on any extra tax liability and have little understanding of the system.

This case is important because it shows how many errors can be made and go undetected. Investors who have received the proceeds of insurance policies should check whether they have been taxed twice.

Most important of all, they may not realise that a tax bill can be reduced because of official error. It appears the Revenue does not rush to tell taxpayers of the rules. If all the information is provided on time by the taxpayer and a mistake occurs that is not corrected promptly a later tax bill may be cut. Even those earning between £22,000 and £32,000 can receive a reduction of 10 per cent on a late tax bill.

The Revenue would have us believe all this will change under the taxpayers' charter. Taxpayers can only hope they are correct.

Britons flood abroad to find employment

With the country in deep recession, more people are looking for work in Europe. Sara McConnell advises on the necessary preparations

THOUSANDS of Britons made redundant or stuck in jobs because of the recession are looking for work on the Continent. Agencies specialising in the European employment market report a huge rise in applications in the past six months.

Demand for jobs is outstripping supply, however, and British workers can find it difficult to find a job if they do not speak the language.

Many are in such a hurry to leave that they do not sort out their financial affairs, particularly their tax position. Then, they find themselves paying more tax than they have to. They could also lose out if they do not put their pension in order and check liability for national insurance.

Staff at employment agencies are often not geared to advising on someone's financial position and prefer to leave it to employees and their prospective employers.

Janet Crawford, managing director of Angel International, one of the largest specialist recruitment agencies, said interest in working abroad had doubled in the past six months.

She said: "People are just fed up and sick of England. Many have been made redundant and are finding it difficult to get another job. But there are a good 100 applicants for each job and Europeans aren't interested in us. They don't need our skills."

Sabre International, another specialist recruitment agency, has also seen more European job applicants in the past six months and is more optimistic about peoples' chances, particularly in marketing, in the run-up to 1992.

Peter Chalkley, senior partner, said many companies were beginning to open up subsidiaries abroad, particularly in Spain. American and British companies were also trying to get into new markets, such as eastern Europe.

He said: "People are trying to advance themselves by looking abroad and we have a lot of people writing in with CVs. Germany is buoyant and so is France."

One sector in which there is no shortage of jobs is nannying. Christine Black, office manager at Knightsbridge Nannies, said: "We always have more jobs than good nannies, although it is quiet in August. By September, we will be crying out for people."

Nannies with a couple of years' experience in London often choose to take up work in France, Italy or Germany. They do not often need languages because employers are keen for their children to learn English from the nanny. Before they go, the agency arranges medical insurance and advises them on financial matters, such as national insurance. Ms Black said tax was normally the responsibility of the employer.

Others who have succeeded in obtaining a job abroad need to sort out their financial position with regard to tax, pensions, national insurance contributions and health care before they leave Britain. Much will depend on whether they go abroad for one or two years on secondment to a British company, or whether they work for longer and for a foreign company.

JOB HUNTING

Unemployed people who decide to look abroad for work can claim British unemployment benefit for up to three months, so long as they have been available for work for four weeks before going.

They need a letter of introduction, or in France, Italy or Germany, a certificate of authorisation, and must register when they arrive in the country concerned.

A Department of Social Security spokesman said: "People must get in contact with our overseas branch in Newcastle before going, and not go abroad assuming they will be able to claim."

NATIONAL INSURANCE

British employees working for a UK company abroad for up to 12 months are normally exempt from paying NI contributions to an overseas social security system. Employers should fill in form E101 from the DSS's overseas branch so that employees continue paying into the British system. Cover can be extended for another 12 months.

Those working for European Community companies abroad will normally contribute to that country's social security system and these payments will be counted towards any benefits claimed in any EC country.

TAX

British employees going abroad on contract for a period that includes at least one tax year, from April 6 to April 5 the following year, will not normally have to pay British tax on income earned outside the country, although they will still be liable for tax on building society and bank account interest and investment income.

The Inland Revenue treats employees in this position as not resident or not ordinarily resident. They will also have to pay tax on any income earned in Britain.

To qualify for this concession from the Revenue, employees have to make sure their visits to Britain during the year do not add up to more than six months in any one tax year or three months per tax year on average.

Even if people are considered resident and would normally be liable for British tax, they can get 100 per cent tax deduction for earnings "wholly or partly outside the UK", as long as they spend a qualifying period of 365 days outside Britain.

KPMG Peat Marwick, the accountant, gives a warning that anyone coming back to Britain for more than 62 consecutive days during the qualifying period will lose the concession. They will also have to pay tax if the number of days spent in Britain on various occasions in the qualifying period is more than one-sixth of the total qualifying period. All EC countries have double tax treaties so that employees of one country working in another do not end up being taxed twice.

Careful planning could mean that some employees may end up paying no tax for short periods, either in Britain or overseas, if they work for a British employer and are abroad for less than 183 days.

PENSIONS

Employees of British companies can normally stay within the company pension scheme for up to three years if they are seconded to another employer abroad, but, if so, they are not allowed to become a member of an overseas scheme.

Brian Waite, international consultant at Mercer Fraser, the actuary, said British employees could end up paying tax on the employer's contribution because some countries count it as a benefit.

Those with private personal pensions cannot, in theory, make contributions unless they have net relevant earnings in Britain. Those who have not used their full allowance from previous years, however, can use up the extra relief.

HEALTH

Reciprocal health care agreements mean that most citizens of EC countries are covered in other countries. Form E111, from the DSS's overseas department, should be completed first. Another option is to take out private medical insurance.

BUPA, the largest health insurer, has an international division that administers its Lifeline scheme for overseas policyholders.

The cost of a year's Bupa cover for a 40-year-old would be £348. This excludes Canada and America and gives full refunds on medical costs of up to £100,000. The plan would cover the whole cost of care where the state scheme only refunded 80 per cent of the costs, as in Belgium.

DENZIL McNEELANCE

In demand: Christine Black (left) and nanny Karen Wilson with her charge Alexandra De La Force, aged 2

Lure of jobs without frontiers

Going Dutch: Catherine Davies

TRAVELLING to work in London by tube every day was the last straw for Peter Scognamillo. Having marketable skills as a computer software programmer, he decided to move to the Continent and has been working in Luxembourg for the European Parliament since January (Sara McConnell writes).

He said: "I'd always lived in London but I was cheesed off with it. I was being pushed by London and pulled by Europe and I wanted to travel a bit and learn some French. Apart from anything else, the money was better." He is earning about double his salary in London.

At the same time, Catherine Davies, his girlfriend, began looking for a job in Europe as a nanny after working with a family in Islington, London.

She said: "If I was moving within London, I wouldn't have got anywhere. I originally thought of France, but the hours were very long."

She found a job with a Dutch family living in Luxembourg, looking after three children aged three, two and 11 months. Many families are keen to have British nannies, particularly if they are qualified. A lack of French is not much of a handicap because the family wants the children to learn English. Ms Davies, aged 21, earns £150 a week, with her own flat and car. In London, she was earning £110 a week with a flat and the use of a car.

Employment agencies specialising in placing nannies abroad were helpful to Ms Davies, advising on matters such as health insurance.

Mr Scognamillo was much more critical of agencies specialising in his area of employment. "They were useless. They had no information packs on things like necessary documentation or registering the car. I had a chat about tax with an accountant in London," he said.

The couple had to discover through trial and error how to rent a flat, get a telephone installed and register their car. Renting is expensive in Luxembourg, at £400 to £500 a month for a studio flat and more for anything larger.

The main problem they face is communication, as neither speaks French and the people of Luxembourg do not react favourably to being addressed in English. This is outweighed, however, by better pay, and a more relaxed way of life in a city where people can leave their cars unlocked without fear of them being stolen.

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Area officers face grateful and angry customers

Taxpayers queue for advice

By LINDSAY COOK
MONEY EDITOR

ALTHOUGH it was a quiet Monday morning in downtown Enfield, there was still a queue when the doors opened at the tax enquiry centre. One caller was emigrating to Australia and wanted to know how to obtain a tax refund. Another wanted to know why his tax code had been dramatically reduced, and a third had a query on age allowance.

Mondays are the busiest mornings. It would appear that the 25,000 pay as you earn taxpayers in the Enfield area and the 4,000 self-employed schedule D taxpayers brood about their finances over the weekend and want them sorted out as soon as the office opens.

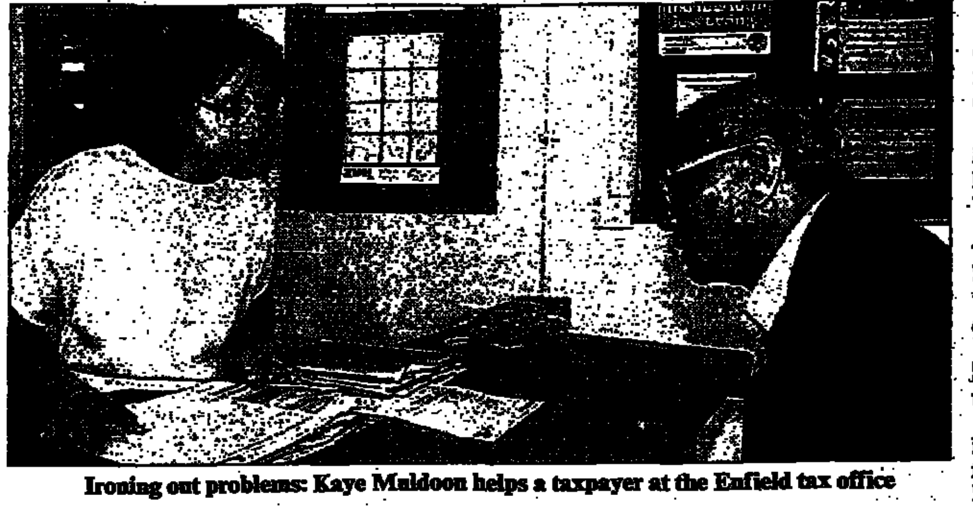
Enfield is one of 393 tax enquiry centres throughout Britain attached to local tax offices that last year dealt with 5 million queries.

The offices help keep taxpayers in touch with their tax affairs, even though their PAYE records are kept elsewhere. Since the end of 1989, the tax records of employees in the Enfield area have been dealt with by the Inland Revenue in Cardiff.

Kaye Muldoon, who opens the enquiry centre every day says that the main enquiry currently is from married women not in paid employment who own a few privatisation shares. They want to know how they can claim back the tax deducted from their dividends. These are usually grateful customers and often return when the refund cheque arrives to thank Mrs Muldoon or John Markwell, also a tax enquiry officer, for their help.

When privatisation holdings are sold, some new shareholders declare the profit, ready to pay tax. Most are turned away because exemptions and the inflation-proof indexation of profits before tax is deducted mean there is no bill to pay.

Pensioners who have been coy about revealing their age on official documents in the past visit the centre when they find that they may be missing out on the allowance given from the age of 65.



Ironing out problems: Kaye Muldoon helps a taxpayer at the Enfield tax office

Less happy are the callers who discover that their tax code has been reduced drastically or wiped out so that they are taxed at 25p in the pound on everything they earn. Some of these have underpaid tax in previous years, which has to be clawed back.

Others are the proud drivers of new company cars and the increased tax on this can easily come to more than the single person's tax allowance, especially if an employer also provides all the fuel for the vehicle.

Other taxpayers arrive with the morning's post in their hands. They had expected a tax rebate and have received a demand instead.

Mrs Muldoon said: "We have to calm them down and then try to sort it out."

She is braced for an extra long queue on Monday. The first assessments for schedule D taxpayers went out this week, telling the self-employed what tax they should pay in January and July next year.

In many cases, the estimate will assume that the taxpayer has had a 25 per cent increase in profits in the last financial year.

Those who have suffered as a result of the recession may well be experiencing a fall in income and will want to appeal against the assessment as soon as they can.

All the centres should have the full range of Inland Revenue leaflets. The most common ones are on display, while more esoteric ones are behind the counter.

Bill battle ends in victory

THE detailed records kept by a college lecturer have resulted in a tax demand from more than £860 being reduced to £54 after a five month battle (Lindsay Cook writes). The lecturer, a Weekend Money reader, who wishes to remain anonymous, wants his struggle publicised to demonstrate the need for the new taxpayers' charter, published last week, to go further to protect taxpayers.

His tale also demonstrates the value of good records, understanding the tax system *and filling in Revenue returns* promptly.

The reader, from Surrey, received two assessments in January stating he had underpaid tax by £858.90. Within a week, the reader had sent a nine-page appeal.

The tax office had counted dividend income from unit trusts twice, had failed to give higher-rate tax relief on the mortgage interest eligible and had charged the full 40 per cent rate on the gain on an *insurance policy instead of the* 15 per cent due.

In March, he received amended notices for £213.50 for 1988-9 and for £575.70 for 1989-90. These still contained errors, he said.

In response to his request for a hearing before the general commissioner, a tax officer corrected two of the errors and disputed the figures on the third.

The next month, a tax inspector wrote: "After receiving your letter I thoroughly reviewed your file and came to the same conclusions as you, that there have been several errors, which unfortunately have not been identified and corrected as quickly and accurately as they should have been."

The inspector also said she had *discovered that mortgage* tax relief had been incorrectly calculated for basic rate relief over the two years. This would have increased the tax bills above the amended assessments but "in view of the inconvenience and expense" suffered by the taxpayer, she was prepared to leave the assessments unchanged.

The reader disputed the calculations and began to deal by telephone with the inspector, to speed up the process. A *letter from the inspector after* one conversation said that the underpayment was now £358.65 for 1989-90.

By return of post, the taxpayer noted that tax relief on a life assurance policy had not been deducted. He also said he understood that where there was an underpayment of tax because of a Revenue error, he may not have to pay all the bill. This is the case if the taxpayer has provided all the information the Revenue needs in time, reasonable care has been taken by the taxpayer and the Revenue did not alert the taxpayer to the underpayment early enough.

The tax officer wrote back in May, agreeing the total underpayment at April 5, 1990 was £183.40 and that official error could apply. This *meant that a tenth of the* underpayment could be remitted as the taxpayer's income would be between £22,000 and £32,000 this year.

In June, the tax inspector agreed to remit half of the agreed underpayment because of the inconvenience, reducing the bill to £91.70.

Still not satisfied, the reader wrote back asking for the concession to be applied to the underpayment for both years, and asking for an *overpayment of £144.25 to be set* against the reduced total to give an underpayment of £54.08. He enclosed a cheque for that amount.

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Bargain hunters make gains from Soviet coup

By LINDSAY COOK
MONEY EDITOR

NICK MALAND

THE attempted Soviet coup at the beginning of the week sent stock markets downwards but by Thursday, most share and unit trust prices had recovered; leaving those who panicked looking rather silly.

Among these were several brokers who sold European funds on Monday on behalf of their clients. One broker sold units in a German fund when the market was 10 per cent down, only to buy back later in the week when it had recovered substantially, according to GT Unit Managers.

Individual investors tended to take world events in their stride and, according to Barclayshare, some even took advantage of the fall in prices.

Last Friday, before the coup, Barclayshare clients were 58 per cent buyers and 42 per cent sellers. On Monday, the number of deals increased 25 per cent and the split increased slightly in favour of buyers to 60:40. By Tuesday, deals were up more than 50 per cent and the split was 85 per cent to 15 per cent. On Wednesday, as prices rallied, the number of transactions eased but buyers still outnumbered sellers four to one.

Stewart Donaldson, manager of Barclayshare, said: "Bargain hunters started to come in late on Monday, and Tuesday was very much split in favour of purchases."

David Sachon, managing director of Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers, said: "Anyone who baled out on Monday paid dearly." One broker had, surprisingly, cashed in £20,000 invested in a dollar-based trust on Monday. None bought European units early in the week. Two large purchases on Tuesday were for British and Far East funds.

At Fidelity, volumes doubled on Monday. Victoria Phillip, publicity manager, said: "Institutions were selling. Individuals were split. Some were buying, some were selling. A lot who sold equity funds switched into our cash unit trust." Those buying favoured the British market, while redemptions were mostly Europe and its American special situations fund.

The group, which has the largest European fund, had been expecting setbacks in the market.

Lynne Kempton, manager of Lloyds Bank's German unit and investment trusts, said the unit trust was hit by redemptions on Monday. The size of the deals suggested that brokers were involved, not individuals, she said. Because of the size of the transactions, the fund had to sell shares when the market was still low on Tuesday. She admits that she did not take advantage of the buying opportunity on Monday. "I didn't spend on Monday. I didn't have the courage to do so. Those who tried found it difficult to buy stock."

Mrs Kempton does not recommend investment in Germany or Europe currently: "There is a danger people will be sucked up in a wave of euphoria. They are wrong to invest now. Interest rates are not coming down and there are more attractive places than Europe." The market was fully valued, she added.

At M & G, the largest unit trust provider, the pattern was different. The usual number of unitholders and brokers cashed in investments on Monday while only one person invested. Later in the week, when the market recovered, people began to buy again.

Some managers and brokers with instructions to sell for clients on Monday telephoned to advise them to hold back. One investor who had given a postal instruction to sell last week did not even know about events in the Soviet Union when telephoned to find out if he wanted to defer his substantial sale.

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For readers who may have missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes (today's are on page 33).

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2	+7	–1	+6	+5	+5		
3	+5	–4	+7	+8	+5		
4	+5	–2	+8	+9	+4		
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Onus of proof on the bank

From Mr G.O. Solomon

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I hope this sets your readers' minds at rest.

Yours faithfully,
G.O. SOLOMON,
Senior general manager,
UK Retail Banking,
Lloyds Bank,
Canons Way, Bristol.

Leeds oversold home arranger

From Mr David Currer

Sir, How about a little honesty *and realism from* The Leeds – and from Weekend Money?

"Take the stress out of homebuying" (August 17), my foot! The Leeds' establishment of a home arranger in every branch may well *reduce* some of the stresses of home buying, but even the most well-intentioned service provider cannot eliminate *all* such stress.

Many of the most serious sources of stress (Have I made *the right decision*? Will the kids get on at their new school? Will I get on with the new neighbours? All the upheaval!) are well outside the ability of any home arranger to influence, little less solve.

While applauding the Leeds' effort, which I do see as offering practical help, I think it undermines its own efforts by overselling what it's able to deliver. Weekend Money, similarly, seemed unable to separate hype from reality in its report.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID CURRER,
74 Waterloo Road,
Wokingham, Berkshire.

LETTERS

Tax forms represent least of women's worries

From Mrs S. Meredith

Sir, Mr H.L. Waterman (Weekend Money letters, August 17) appears to have a very low opinion of married ladies and their ability to fill out a simple form.

For many years I have completed my husband's tax return, dealt with any correspondence relating to tax matters and fully shared the anxieties.

This year I had two forms to complete and can assure Mr Waterman *that* I have encountered no difficulties. women's *lib has* no part in this – women are individuals, not the appendages *of* their husbands, and it is scandalous that we have had *to* wait until 1991 to take control of our own tax matters.

The empty, fluffy-headed women Mr Waterman perceives, are only to be found between *the covers* of books. The harsh realities of this world are *handled daily* by millions of women and filling in a tax form is the least of their worries.

Yours faithfully,
S. MEREDITH,
Sheepham Cottage,
Modbury,
Ivybridge,
Devon.

From Mr David Lindsay

Sir, As one who campaigned for separate taxation, even taking HMG to Strasburg on the issue, I was astonished at Mr Waterman's whingeing letter (Weekend Money, August 17).

This year thousands of husbands will no longer receive that unwelcome buff envelope demanding higher rate tax, and thousands of wives – now with personal allowances that, like their husbands', apply against any form of income – can, for the first time, enjoy a tax refund.

As for Revenue workload, may I suggest that couples that regard all or much of their income as shared be allowed to make joint returns, on the understanding that the Revenue will then apportion the shared part – but *for* tax purposes only – in such manner as to minimise their total tax liability.

This would be useful where, for example, a spouse has an age allowance. Indeed, should we not now expect such a service under the taxpayers' charter?

Yours faithfully,
DAVID LINDSAY,
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Reading,
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Partners given dignity of independence

From Mrs M. Brett-Knowles and Mrs J. Rady

Sir, As mother and daughter we read with mounting anger Mr Waterman's letter (Weekend Money, August 17) concerning the separate taxation of women.

His comments are very facile and, in our view, very chauvinistic. They also paint a somewhat dreary view of marriage. Surely husbands and wives are still able to discuss tax problems together and advise each other if need be.

There are many women who have a very sophisticated knowledge of how to handle money and who, in the past, have advised their husbands about tax returns. Are these men *to* be lost and anxious now that their wives are to do a *separate tax return? What* the law now allows is for either partner to have the dignity of independence if they so wish. If either, or both wish to employ an accountant so be it. It is nothing to do with women's *lib but everything* to do with an adult approach to *responsibility over* money.

Yours faithfully,
M. BRETT-KNOWLES,
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From Mrs J.O. Martin

Sir, Contrary to Mr Waterman's assertions many of us "ladies" are happy to fill in our own tax forms. Many of us have been filling in our own part of our husbands' tax forms for many years. Some might even be better at filling in tax forms than our husbands are.

We have, moreover, been not a little miffed when replies to letters *we* have written about *our* income have come back addressed to our husbands!

Yours faithfully,
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THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL Tel: 0345 717373 (Linkline)

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Masterfd Acc	89.67	94.80	-0.40	2.13
Intl	62.85	66.86	-0.71	1.32
Div/Gth	51.22	54.48	+0.55	5.51
Global Gth Sec	52.08	55.40	-0.02	1.81
Ethical	51.46	55.05	+0.34	3.07
High Inc Equity	138.5	148.4	+1.0	5.73
W'wide Bond	209.0	222.3	+0.4	8.75
Gilt/Fixed	115.2	122.1c	+0.4	9.42

ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
10, Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ Tel: 0224 633070 dealing (Freephone) 0800 833580
30, Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ Tel: 071-374 6801

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Am Inc/Gth	31.42	33.32	-0.41	2.38
Euro	70.25	74.68	-1.40	0.30
Euro Inc	72.93	76.94	-1.71	1.59
Exempt	765.6	810.9	+6.8	5.03
Extra Inc	40.57	43.35c	+0.16	5.55
F/E Emerg Co	48.64	52.29	-1.64	1.22

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL Tel: 0793 514514 Dealing 0793 610366

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
High Inc	369.7	393.7c	+1.8	6.17
Equity Inc	197.1	209.9	+0.4	4.87
High Yield	216.6	230.6	+1.1	4.90
Balanced	569.0	605.9	+4.9	3.02
Am Inc	35.82	38.22	-0.04	4.05
World Ass Val	32.83	34.93	-0.17	1.52
Japan	134.5	142.4	-2.3	0.07
Sec of Am	332.8	354.4	+6.5	0.01

BL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
PO Box 128 Beckenham Kent BR3 4PN Tel: 081-663 3030

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Euro Gth	82.27	88.08	-0.82	1.57
1992 Euro Spc	61.03	65.39	-0.67	1.40
Intl Inc	66.52	71.14	-0.11	2.99
N Am Gth	52.88	56.31	-0.16	1.42
Pacific Gth	73.97	78.59	-1.70	1.99
UK Gth Acc	83.24	89.01c	+1.66	2.51
Do Dist	74.05	78.18c	+1.41	3.18
UK Income	83.76	89.16c	+0.69	6.61

BARCLAYS UNICORN
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 Tel: 081-534 5544

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Capital	90.56	97.12	+0.83	3.62
Euro Gth Inc	92.15	98.20	-1.24	1.22
Extra Inc	98.08	104.9	+1.16	6.13
General	208.6	223.1	+1.8	3.65
Gilt/Fxd Income	51.15	53.01	-0.78	9.85
Inc Trust	437.1	467.5	+4.8	5.98

CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF Tel: Enquiries: 061-236 5685 Dealing: 061-236 5365

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Capability Trust				
Am & Gen	95.08	101.7	-0.40	0.37
Do Acc	101.5	108.0	-0.61	0.37
European	57.27	60.80	-0.69	1.31
Do Acc	59.19	62.99	-0.72	1.31
F East/Gen	46.20	49.15	-1.95	0.00
Do Acc	46.50	49.16	-1.98	0.00
Gilt&Inc	231.4	246.2c	-1.7	2.47
Do Acc	250.8	266.9c	-1.8	2.47
Growth	299.9	319.1	+2.4	2.80
Do Acc	497.3	529.1	+4.1	2.80
Inc &Gth Inc	329.8	355.2	+2.4	4.85
Do Acc	416.3	442.9	+3.0	4.85
Master Portf	89.32	95.57	-0.37	2.77
Do Acc	90.89	96.61	-0.40	2.77
Spec Sits	65.59	70.59	+0.63	2.83
Do Acc	74.59	79.79	+0.71	2.83
Exempt Fund				
High Yld Exmt	£10.72	11.06	+0.07	5.44
Do Acc	£11.57	11.93	+0.07	5.44

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
3, Harbour Exchange Square, London, E14 9GJ. Tel: Telephone 071-865 5050 Dealings: 071-865 5055

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Amer Index	158.0	168.4	+1.4	2.04
Capital	482.8	515.2	+3.8	3.82
Euro Index	112.0	119.5	-1.0	1.98
Euro Growth	72.58	77.46	-0.48	1.95
Far East Gth	66.09	70.53	-1.18	1.20
Global Bond	20.4	21.7	..	8.50
Gold Gen $ S	63.13	67.37	-2.67	3.65
Hong Kong	44.74	47.74	-0.81	2.94
Income	459.9	487.8	+2.0	5.29
Intl Sp Sits	61.95	66.11	-0.15	1.29
Jap Gth	196.2	209.4	-4.3	0.00
Jap Smlr Cos	29.28	31.30	-0.99	0.00
Jap Index	80.99	86.08	-1.27	0.35
N Amer	324.1	345.8	+4.9	1.31
Sing Malay	34.3	36.6	-0.8	0.00
Tiger Index	91.85	98.02c	-1.84	1.24
UK Index	110.6	118.0	+0.5	4.06

CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
16 Tokenhouse Yard, London EC2R 7AN Tel: 071-606 0708

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Amer Portf	59.24	63.38	+0.02	1.71
Euro Port	61.40	65.41	-1.12	0.88
Jap Portf	45.42	48.21	-0.75	0.00
Pacific Portf	61.59	65.22	+0.17	3.01
Portf	60.01	64.19	-0.07	3.13
UK Inc/Gth	57.73	62.08	+0.07	5.31

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ Tel: 0242 577555

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Orient Op Acc	58.67	62.73	-0.94	1.95
Japanese	50.65	53.88c	-1.44	0.00
UK Balan Inc	100.5	106.9	+1.5	3.28
Do Acc	113.6	120.8	+1.7	3.28
UK Gth Accum	167.2	177.9	+2.7	2.01
UK Hi Inc	119.9	127.5	+1.4	5.45
UK Hi Inc Acc	128.8	137.0	+1.4	5.45
N Amer Acc	61.66	65.77	+0.69	1.65
Euro Acc	106.2	113.0	-1.1	0.25
UK Fxd/Fi Inc	55.07	58.41	+0.31	8.18
Do Acc	78.92	83.71	+0.44	8.18
Intl Sp S Acc	40.98	43.60c	-0.08	0.85
Emmit Opp	56.46	60.08	+0.77	1.29

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
41, Hanington Gardens London SW7 4JU Tel: 071-373 7281

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Endurance	148.1	157.5	-1.0	1.88

EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Walton Street Aylesbury, HP21 7QW Tel: 0296 431480

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Eqtble Pelican	108.4	112.0	+1.06	5.08
High Inc	112.0	118.0	+0.66	8.06
T Of Inv Ts	111.4	117.3	+0.15	3.16
Spec Sits	98.54	103.7	+0.15	4.23
N Am	79.63	84.09	+0.47	0.88
Far East	168.4	177.3	-3.43	1.33
Intl Gth	76.06	80.00	-0.69	2.19
Euro	86.62	90.60	-0.66	1.85
Smlr Cos	54.36	57.22	+0.20	4.29

EQUITY & LAW
St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1GD Tel: 0203 553231

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
UK Gth Accum	269.0	285.2	+2.1	3.24
Do Inc	201.5	214.4	+1.7	3.24
Higher Inc Acc	471.3	501.4	+3.0	4.69
Do Inc	312.0	332.0	+1.9	4.69
Gilt/Fxd Acc	138.2	145.5c	+0.4	8.00
Do Inc	82.88	87.04c	+0.27	8.00
N America	176.4	187.7	+0.2	0.00
Far East	280.2	294.3	-4.1	0.25
Europe	200.6	213.5	-2.5	0.00
General	376.1	399.8	+2.3	3.25
Genl Acc	383.1	407.8	+2.5	3.29
Br Excellence	56.07	59.65	+0.65	3.15
Br Fdmntls Inc	56.23	60.01	+0.13	5.67
Do Acc	69.68	73.97	+0.15	5.07
Global Ops	56.39	59.59	-0.30	0.20

FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ Tel: 071-623 1212 Dealing: 0277 264421 Services: 0800 289336

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
UK Growth Trusts				
British Gth	36.47	39.01	+0.47	1.72
Cash	118.16		+0.17	11.81
Prefl Inv Inc	80.82	87.39	-0.81	3.74
Do Acc	182.1	195.2	-1.28	3.74
UK Smlr Cos	96.36	103.3	+0.73	3.76
Income Trusts				
Extra Inc	82.36	88.73	+0.40	7.39
Preference	20.68	22.01	+0.23	12.89
High Inc	31.71	33.91s	+0.25	6.75
Income	109.1	116.7	+0.65	4.09
Intl Fxd Int	23.29	24.97	-0.10	7.59
International Trusts				
Gold Intl	65.69	70.43	-1.19	1.45
Euroventures	17.69	19.09	-0.14	0.65
Frontier Mkts	32.59	34.86	-0.55	0.57
Glob Inc/Gth	90.88	97.25	-0.69	3.39
UK/Intl	87.87	93.76	-0.50	4.00
Overseas Trusts				
American	92.16	98.25	-1.20	1.14
European	62.79	66.73	-0.64	1.38
Euro Sel Opp	64.38	68.59	-0.67	1.42
Am Emerg	47.18	50.69	-0.40	0.02
Hong Kong	56.23	59.05	-0.95	2.81
Japan	182.3	191.89	-6.81	0.00
Pacific Gth	89.19	95.79	-1.76	1.48

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT
Shackleton Hse, 4, Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR Tel: 071-378 7979 Dealing 071-[illegible]

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Intl Gth	102.7	109.8	-0.92	0.59
Amer Growth	80.05	86.25	-0.96	0.90
Euro Growth	59.80	62.61s	-1.24	0.44
Ger Horizons	41.89	44.64	-0.95	0.02
Jap Growth	63.59	68.01s	-2.34	0.00
Pacific Inc	82.80	89.02	-3.28	3.81
Pacific Strat	62.44	66.78	-1.35	0.25
UK Prog Inc	72.59	77.63	+0.80	6.56
Gt Britain	45.89	48.85	+0.51	2.24
UK Smlr Co	37.35	39.64s	+0.19	3.39

GRE UNIT MANAGERS
36 Harbour Exchange Square London E14 9GE Tel: 071-638 [illegible]

	Bid	Offer	Weekly ch'ng	Yld
Cash	116.0		+0.1	10.21
Gilt/Fxd Interest	111.0	117.7c	+0.5	8.76

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● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

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MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was down at 90.5 (day's range 90.5-90.7).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Aug 23	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	3.2948-3.3028	3.2976-3.3011	⅝-⅜pr	1⅝-1⅜pr
Brussels	60.08-60.35	60.13-60.33	13-9pr	28-18pr
Copenhagen	11.2926-11.3365	11.2960-11.3195	2-1¼pr	3⅝-2⅝pr
Dublin	1.0942-1.0985	1.0975-1.0985	19-13pr	38-22pr
Frankfurt	2.9270-2.9387	2.9303-2.9337	⅝-½pr	1⅝-1⅜pr
Lisbon	249.84-251.11	249.84-250.62	63-134ds	216-304ds
Madrid	181.86-183.22	181.86-182.64	14-22ds	63-84ds
Milan	2184.10-2193.86	2184.10-2190.43	par-2ds	3-6ds
Montreal	1.9139-1.9316	1.9139-1.9176	0.45-0.38pr	0.77-0.66pr
New York	1.6730-1.6895	1.6730-1.6740	0.81-0.79pr	2.17-2.14pr
Oslo	11.4258-11.4883	11.4381-11.4616	1⅜-⅞pr	2¼-1¾pr
Paris	9.9350-9.9653	9.9350-9.9586	1⅝-1⅛pr	3⅝-2⅞pr
Stockholm	10.6187-10.6617	10.6386-10.6617	1⅜-⅞pr	⅞-⅜pr
Tokyo	229.12-230.90	229.12-229.42	⅞-⅝pr	2⅜-2pr
Vienna	20.5708-20.6236	20.5946-20.6236	4-2⅝pr	9⅝-5⅝pr
Zurich	2.5525-2.5646	2.5597-2.5629	⅜-⅝pr	1⅞-1⅝pr

Source: Extel *Premium = pr. Discount = ds.*

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	16667.8-16684.5
Australia dollar	2.1391-2.1334
Bahrain dinar	0.631-0.639
Brazil cruzeiro *	638.61-640.86
Cyprus pound	0.799-0.809
Finland marka	7.0925-7.1525
Greece drachma	321.90-325.10
Hong Kong dollar	13.0000-13.0011
India rupee	43.47-43.87
Kuwait dinar KD	n/a
Malaysia ringgit	4.6534-4.6630
Mexico peso	5100-5200
New Zealand dollar	2.9131-2.9201
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.275-6.355
Singapore dollar	2.8962-2.9003
S Africa rand (fin)	5.3967-5.4886
S Africa rand (com)	4.8670-4.8284
U A E dirham	6.145-6.225

*Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank*

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.2721-1.2732
Austria	12.28-12.32
Belgium (Com)	35.90-36.00
Canada	1.1445-1.1450
Denmark	6.7500-6.7600
France	5.9350-5.9450
Germany	1.7515-1.7525
Hong Kong	7.7640-7.7650
Ireland	1.5245-1.5260
Italy	1300.0-1302.0
Japan	136.90-137.00
Malaysia	2.7790-2.7830
Netherlands	1.9745-1.9755
Norway	6.8350-6.8450
Portugal	149.90-150.30
Singapore	1.7290-1.7310
Spain	109.20-109.30
Sweden	6.3550-6.3650
Switzerland	1.5295-1.5305

TREASURY BILLS: Applicts: £1,100m, allotted: £300m; Bids: £97.465% received: 52%; Last week: £97.455% received: 47%; Avge rate: £10.1508% last wk £10.2003%; Next week: £300m.

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 11 Finance Hse 11½
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 10¾ Low 6¼ Week fixed: 10¾
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buying: 2 mth 10 11/32; 3 mth 10 7/32 . Selling: 2 mth 10 7/32 ; 3 mth: 10 5/32 .

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	10⅝-10 9/16	10 19/32-17/32	10 9/16-10½	10-9 15/16	
Sterling Money Rates:	10 15/16-13/16	10¾-10 13/16	10 13/16-10¾	10 11/16-10⅝	10 11/16-9/16
Interbank:	10 15/16-10¾	10 15/16-13/16	10 13/16-10¾	10 21/32-10⅝	10 21/32-10⅝
(Overnight: open 10¾, close 9¾ .)					
Local Authority Deps:	10¾	n/a	10¾	10⅝	10 9/16
Sterling CDs:	10¾-10 13/16	10¾-10 13/16	10 23/32-10¾	10⅝-10 9/16	10 19/32-10½
Dollar CDs:	5.70-5.65	5.70-5.65	5.72-5.67	5.87-5.82	6.10-6.05
Building Society CDs:	10 29/32-27/32	10 29/32-27/32	10¾-10 23/32	10 11/16-10⅝	10 21/32-9/16

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	5⅝-5½	5 11/16-5½	5⅝-5 9/16	5¾-5 11/16	5¾-4¾
Deutschemark:	8¾-8⅝	8¾-8⅝	9 3/16-9 1/16	9¼-9⅛	8¾-7½
French Franc:	9¼-9	9¼-9⅛	9⅜-9¼	9⅜-9¼	9¼-8¾
Swiss Franc:	8¼-8⅛	8¼-8	8-7⅞	8-7⅞	8-7
Yen:	7 7/16-7 5/16	7 7/16-7 5/16	7⅜-7¼	7-6⅞	7½-6½

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS *(Baird & Co)*

Bullion: Open $354.70-355.20 Close: $353.50-354.00 High: $354.80-355.30
Low: $352.40-352.90 Krugerrand: $353.25-354.25 (£210.50-211.50)
Sovereigns: Old $83.00-84.00 (£49.25-50.25) New $82.75-83.75 (£49.10-50.10)
Platinum: $331.50 (£197.55) Silver: $3.92 (£2.335) Palladium: $80.00 (£47.70)

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100 Previous open interest: 34654	Sep 91	2655.0	2674.0	2647.0	2670.0	6691
	Dec 91	2698.0	2715.5	2697.0	2716.0	1233
	Mar 92				2750.0	0
Three Month Sterling Previous open interest: 135182	Sep 91	89.27	89.30	89.27	89.29	7319
	Dec 91	89.78	89.80	89.76	89.77	4929
	Mar 92	89.97	89.99	89.96	89.97	800
Three Month Eurodollar Previous open interest: 41169	Sep 91	94.36	94.37	94.19	94.24	1484
	Dec 91	94.09	94.09	93.84	93.91	2718
Three Month Euro DM Previous open interest: 132877	Sep 91	90.78	90.79	90.76	90.77	5116
	Dec 91	90.75	90.77	90.72	90.73	10134
US Treasury Bond Previous open interest: 4971	Sep 91	98-02	98-04	97-05	97-12	949
	Dec 91				96-19	0
Long Gilt Previous open interest: 52789	Sep 91	93-20	93-29	93-15	93-19	25573
	Dec 91	93-24	94-01	93-23	93-28	4463
Japanese Govt Bond	Sep 91				97.12	0
	Dec 91	97.56	97.59	97.48	97.50	724
German Govt Bond Previous open interest: 94010	Sep 91	84.74	84.75	84.54	84.65	34241
	Dec 91	84.85	84.92	84.72	84.83	4070
Three month ECU Previous open interest: 5868	Sep 91	90.18	90.29	90.16	90.19	217
	Dec 91	90.28	90.30	90.26	90.27	167

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
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COMMODITIES

LONDON FOX

COCOA		COFFEE		SUGAR (FOB) C Czarnikow	
Sep	646-645	Sep	516-515	Oct	199.0-98.0
Dec	687-686	Nov	543-542	Dec	154.8-53.0
Mar	726-724	Jan	565-564	Mar	183.8-83.0
May	744-742	Mar	586-584	May	185.6-83.8
Jul	763-761	May	unq	Aug	186.8-84.6
Sep	783-781	Jul	unq	Oct	188.8-87.0
Dec	808-807	Sep	unq		
Vol: 5054		Vol: 3617		Vol: 837	

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT Close (£/t)		BARLEY Close (£/t)		HI-PRO SOYA Close (£/t)	
Sep	113.15	Sep	109.40	Oct	130.50
Nov	116.70	Nov	113.40	Dec	136.00
Jan	120.40	Jan	116.95	Feb	139.90
Mar	123.75	Mar	119.60	Apr	141.00
May	126.45	May	121.80	Jun	136.00
Vol:	588	Vol:	287	Vol:	6

LONDON POTATO FUTURES Volume: 172

	Open	Close
Mar (£/tonne)	unq	115.5
Apr	110.0	110.3
May	unq	121.0

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on August 23

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	86.36	125.60	105.54
(+/-)	+5.35	-5.10	+0.61
Eng/Wales:	88.36	126.94	104.78
(+/-)	+6.36	-4.68	+0.37
(%)	-38.4	-38.5	-40.1
Scotland:	n/a	122.32	108.89
(+/-)	n/a	-5.97	+0.04
(%)	n/a	-26.5	+2.8

* Estimated dead carcase weight

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (p/kg)

Aug	
Open:	unq
Close:	83.0
Sep	
Open:	91.5
Close:	91.5
Oct	
Open:	101.0
Close:	100.3

Volume: 38

LONDON OIL REPORTS (ICIS-LOR) - London 6.00pm: Following an extremely volatile week, crude levels were up, signalling a beginning to fourth quarter demand.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	19.75	+0.20
Brent 15 day (Sep)	19.80	+0.25
Brent 15 day (Oct)	19.85	+0.15
W Texas Intermediate (Oct)	21.75	+0.15
W Texas Intermediate (Nov)	21.85	+0.10

PRODUCTS (Buy/sell $/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	240 (+4)	243 (+3)
Gasoil EEC	187 (-5)	188 (-5)
Non EEC 1H Aug	189 (-2)	190 (-3)
Non EEC 1H Sep	190 (-2)	191 (-4)
3.5 Fuel Oil	71 (+2)	73 (+3)
Naphtha	210 (+2)	214 (+2)

IPE FUTURES
GAS OIL

Sep	192.00-91.50	Jan	195.00-93.00
Oct	193.75-93.50	Feb	unq
Nov	195.50-95.25	Mar	unq
Dec	197.00 SLR		Vol: 4205

BRENT

Sep	19.80-19.85	Nov	19.90-20.00
Oct	19.85-19.95		Vol: n/a

BIFFEX
GNI Freight Futures Dry Cargo ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Aug 91	1516	1510	1525
Sep 91	1630	1620	1630
Oct 91	1700	1690	1700
Jan 92	1704	1699	1695

Vol: 409 lots Open interest: 2884
Dry cargo index 1513 +7

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
(Official) (Volume prev day) Rudolf Wolff

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A (£/tonne)	1305.0-1306.0	1328.0-1329.0	592250
Lead (£/tonne)	314.00-314.25	326.50-326.75	80650
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1036.0-1037.0	1055.0-1056.0	175800
Tin ($/tonne)	5665-5670	5720-5725	14275
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1247.0-1248.0	1278.0-1279.0	474800
Nickel ($/tonne)	8100.0-8105.0	8140.0-8141.0	74040

FOX MGMI INDEX (5pm prices)

	Bid	Offer
Sep	136.80	137.80
Dec	138.20	139.20
Mar	139.00	140.00

Vol: 280

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IAAF wants bigger share of the Olympic cake

Samaranch: composed

From DAVID MILLER
IN TOKYO

IN THE unending sporting battle for power and money, the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) yesterday put the International Olympic Committee (IOC) "on the anvil", in the words of one IOC executive board member. On the eve of the third world championships, the IAAF was flexing its muscles in its biggest of all events: political arm-wrestling.

During a five-hour grilling, the IAAF, which over-optimistically sees its newly biennial championships as a comparative attraction to the Olympic Games, demanded the following:

☐ An increased share of Olympic Games revenue.

☐ A guarantee of voting involvement in bid-city elections.

☐ IOC membership for Primo Nebiolo, its president, which he has sought for ten years.

☐ Uniformity in random testing as a qualifying condition for every Olympic sport, with uniform penalties.

It was unfortunate for the IAAF that this confrontation with the executive board, should be followed by an opening ceremony last night notable only for its boredom and, even more embarrassing for the Japanese hosts, a series of technical failures in floodlighting and the stadium television screen. Added to this, a medium-typhoon simultaneously reached Tokyo, almost blowing the sky divers out of the stadium and drenching the half-capacity crowd.

These setbacks may not have mattered that much. All opening ceremonies, in my opinion, including the Olympic Games, have become unnecessarily expensive, over-elaborate and often pretentious exhibitions that are irrelevant to the main events. The morning's pageant of words were something else.

The income of the two Olympic Games over the four-year period 1989-1992, from television and all marketing, will be $1.7 billion, roughly 12 times that projected for the IAAF for 1992-95. The IAAF's $140 million does not include its share of the gross Olympic television rights. The IOC's own residual income from the 1989-1992 period is $120 million, or seven per cent of the overall total.

For the IOC to give the IAAF, governing body of the principal Olympic sport, a larger slice of the cake, would require either a cut from its own funds or deduction from another source. The 93 per cent of the total is at present divided among Olympic host organising committees, participating nations (through the Solidarity Fund), and international federations via the two associations of winter and summer sports. Juan Antonio Samaranch, who listened to the demands with equanimity, could point to the fact that the IAAF at present altruistically takes only an equal share of TV rights with every other sport, and should perhaps reconsider this division.

The IAAF, on the other hand, has a good case: the split of winter and summer games into alternate even years further absorbs the available market, reducing the amount of global sponsorship/advertising available to individual world championships. It will be difficult to deny the IAAF on this issue, yet that could start a dangerous domino reaction among other ambitious federations, such as basketball and volleyball.

The voting question on bidding cities, next operative in 1993 for the 2000 Games, is already delegated to a committee of vice-presidents, Keba M'Baye, of Senegal, Kevan Gosper, of Australia, and the director-general, François Carrard. The IOC members will resist a wholesale widening of the vote to include federations and National Olympic Committee representatives. A small nominated quorum is the probable solution; the best answer of all is no vote, and for a technical committee to decide on factual data within a continental rotation.

Nebiolo's belief that the IAAF president deserves *ex-officio* to belong to "the club" can only be resolved by the departure of one of Italy's existing two IOC members. Franco Carraro, aged 51, is basically not interested, and should resign, though is unlikely to; the highly popular Georgio di Stefani, aged 87, the former Davis Cup captain and international tennis president, has expressed the view that he could have no better end than to die with his boots on serving the IOC, and is still looking good for a fifth set. Nebiolo is obliged to remain an understudy.

Uniformity of drug testing and suspension, as I mentioned yesterday, will be debated by the IOC session in Albertville and/or Barcelona next year. Samaranch is agreed on the principles. However, Dr Arne Ljungqvist, head of the IAAF's medical committee, warned yesterday that even a four-year ban carries the risk of dissuading national federations and NOCs from indulging in effective random testing. He points out that, under the old 18-month IAAF ban, less than 20 per cent of offenders returned to the sport, and then not effectively. Dr Ljungqvist's most alarming news is the imminence of a testosterone contraceptive pill for men. That might help Asia's billions socially, but where will it leave sport?

Perfect throw may be needed for javelin gold

Backley must hurl form book aside to achieve his goal

From DAVID POWELL
ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT
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TOKYO
1991

STEVE Backley enters the arena of the third world championships here tomorrow hoping that he can pull out his greatest triumph from his worst season. Injury and moderate form have reduced Backley from the role of an outstanding favourite to a questionable one.

Effectively, the javelin competition is a European championship by another name. None of the main contenders is from outside Europe. Last summer, in Split, Backley won the European title by four metres and, with Commonwealth Games, European Cup and World Cup victories already his, he looked a world and Olympic champion in waiting.

All, though, was not what it seemed. Backley lost his motivation, and then his movement. "I did not go into winter in the right frame of mind," he said. "I did not have the attitude for success. I was not hungry." When his world record was taken from him, the incentive returned. But injury knocked him back.

"When I heard Seppo [Raty] had broken the world record, it gave my sessions more purpose," Backley said. "I did not expect it to be broken. As far as I was concerned it was *my* world record."

In June, four days after opening his season with an encouraging 88.24 metres, he went to Loughborough and threw 90 metres in warm-up. But he injured a leg on his opening throw. Still he awaits his first competitive 90-metre throw of the season. Furthermore, he has lost twice to his greatest rival, Jan Zelezny.

Raty is from Finland and Zelezny from Czechoslovakia. Neither came close to Backley in Split. All the best throwers are from Europe. Of the ten who have exceeded 85 metres this year, only Gavin Lovegrove, of New Zealand, ranked No. 9, is from outside. Of the five others in the field who have thrown 85 metres or more at some stage in their careers, only one, Kazuhiro Mizoguchi, from Japan, is not European.

Backley's senior championship record is unblemished. A victory here would confirm him as the man for the occasion that we think he is. But his best this summer is 88.46 metres. Raty's is 96.96 metres, his world record, and Zelezny's 90.72. The British No. 2, Mick Hill, is an outsider, although he has already proved he can beat Backley, and is in form. Three weeks ago he set his personal best, 86.32 metres.

Backley's record belies his age. At 22, he is three years younger than any of his main challengers. When Raty won the world title in 1987, Backley was still a year away from his world junior silver. It was Backley's defeat then that concentrated his mind, and he has not lost a significant competition since.

His defeat by Zelezny in Zurich was, he said, the turning point. In Gateshead, two days later, he was back up to 88.16 metres. "I have been through the trough and the peak is still to come," he said.

He has been watching repeatedly on video his throw in Stockholm last year, when he set a world record. "That was the perfect throw," he said. "I have got to repeat it. I can see myself doing it. I can feel it."

A good early throw in the final on Monday — the qualifying round is tomorrow — is critical. "If I can throw a long one early it will intimidate them," he said.

It is a pity the women's marathon tomorrow does not have the cast from Boston in April, when the first five went under 2hr 27min. And Rosa Mota, who holds all the main titles — world, Olympic and European — was not even taking part.

The Boston winner, Wanda Panfil, from Poland, might be the one to end Mota's sequence of championship success stretching back to 1986. The next three from Boston, Kim Jones, Uta Pippig and Joan Samuelson, are not entered, so Kamila Gradus, the Pole who was fifth in Boston, has a medal chance.

So, too, though it is a long shot, has Veronique Marot, of Britain. The weak field — the Commonwealth champion, Lisa Martin, is also missing — has given her hope.

She has spent six weeks training at 8,000ft and feels "at 90 per cent" of the form she was in when she set a British record of 2hr 25min 56sec in 1989. "I think that gives me a chance of a medal," Marot said.

TOKYO TIMETABLE

All times BST

Today
00.30: 20km walk
01.00: Men's 100m, first round
01.30: Women's shot, qualifying, two pools
02.25: 10km walk
02.30: Hammer, qualifying, pool A
04.00: Hammer, qualifying, pool B
08.00: Women's 400m, first round
08.50: Men's 100m, second round
10.20: Women's long jump, qualifying, two pools
10.30: Women's 800m, first round
10.40: Women's shot, final
11.20: 3,000m, heats
12.05: Men's 10,000m, heats

Tomorrow
23.00 (today): Women's marathon
01.00: Men's javelin, qualifying, pool A
02.00: Men's 400m, first round
02.30: Men's javelin, qualifying, pool B
07.00: Hammer, final
09.00: Men's 100m, semi-finals; triple jump, qualifying, two pools
09 30 Men's 400m hurdles, first round
10.20: Women's 400m, second round
10.30: Women's long jump, final
11.05: Men's 100m, final
11.20: Women's 800m, semi-finals
11.50: Men's 800m, heats

Monday
02.00: Heptathlon, 100m hurdles; men's discus, qualifying, pool A
02.45: Women's 100m, first round
03.00: Heptathlon, high jump
03.35: Men's 200m, first round
03.40: Men's discus, qualifying, pool B
07.30: Women's 400m hurdles, first round
08.00: Heptathlon, shot
08.20: Women's 100m, second round
08.40: Triple jump, final
08.50: Men's 200m, second round
09.20: Men's 400m, second round
09.55: Women's 400m, semi-finals
10.10: Men's javelin, final
10.15: Men's 800m, semi-finals
10.45: Men's 400m hurdles, semi-finals
11.10: Women's 800m, final
11.25: 3,000m, final
11.45: Heptathlon, 200m
12.10: Men's 10,000m, final

Passing the physical: Roger Black, in Japan, is full of optimism for a golden relay finale at the world championships

Such relief to get on your marks

The training for Tokyo is over and the action is about to start. On the eve of the 400 metres heats, Britain's **Roger Black** tells of the single-minded preparation that is essential for an important athletics championship

There are two concerns in the British team here at the moment: gleaning news from the Soviet Union and the prospect of an accommodation problem at our hotel in Tokyo. You can guess which concerns us the most!

During the final days before a championship starts, athletes' minds become inwardly focused on the challenge ahead. Some are able to disguise their apprehension well, but like the swans that glide gracefully across the water they also conceal an abundance of energy beneath the surface. One may search for a sense of perspective but the truth is that for the next seven days the world athletics championships is all that matters.

We have been acclimatising in luxurious surroundings. The Nihan Aerobics Centre was built for business executives and their families to encourage health and fitness. No expense has been spared and there can be no complaints about our preparation. Team spirit is high and medal expectations are greater than ever. Although each athlete has his or her own personal goals and are treated as equally important, the potential medal winners must ultimately carry the burden — their performances will determine whether or not the British team has been successful, especially in the eyes of the nation.

My preparation has been satisfactory. Flexibility is the key, since erratic weather has meant that some training has had to be modified or scrapped altogether.

Until I line up for the first round of the 400 metres tomorrow, I cannot be sure about my competition. Already the Americans have drafted in Danny Everett, who has been running well lately, and it is also rumoured that the pre-race favourite, Roberto Hernandez, of Cuba, may be carrying an injury. It is important that I do not concern myself with who is, or is not, running; I must focus on how I intend to run irrespective of anybody else, since I cannot influence another man's performance.

An important championship tests an athlete's mental and physical endurance. To progress to the final I will have to run three heats on consecutive days. The task ahead is to negotiate these comfortably and confidently.

Before stepping on to the track the athlete is faced with a series of inconveniences. The worst of these is a half-hour wait in the call-up room with fellow competitors. It is at this point that the race usually starts — eight apprehensive pairs of eyes, some focusing on the ground but most on each other with a mixture of respect and fear. There is no need for conversation; the eyes reveal far more than words could possibly convey and it is often a relief to get on to the track after such an ordeal.

There are no certainties in athletics and any medal won here by the British will be hard to come by. I believe, however, that there is great strength in depth in the British team and that we will leave with pockets jangling.

How many gold medals we can win is a lottery — anywhere between none and five is possible — since it all depends on how one performs on the day.

At the hotel in Tokyo I was reminded of the real significance of these championships by the sight of the two sole members of the Guam and Cayman Island teams. Athletes from different countries and races assembled together to compete against one another. Aspirations may differ but objectives are just the same.

There will be no rest after the individual 400 metres because I have the 4 x 400 metres relay to contest. This is the closest one can get to athletics being a team sport. Each runner is dependent on, and responsible to, the others. It is the last event of any championship and usually provides an exciting finale.

Come the day of the relay, all egos are put to one side and the emphasis turns towards what is best for the team. Each leg is equally important and much thought goes into who should run where.

The final four will be selected from the strongest squad we have had — all seven members capable of running 45.5 seconds or faster. To win the gold medal we will have to excel ourselves but I believe that this is within our capability.

Over the last ten months a lot of hard work has been done and put into the bank. Now is the time to start making the withdrawals; paying interest with dividends, we hope.

WEEKEND FIXTURES

TODAY

FOOTBALL

3.0 unless stated

Barclays League
First division

Aston Villa v Arsenal
Everton v Man Utd
Leeds v Sheffield Wed
Luton v Liverpool
Man City v C Palace
Notts Co v Nottingham F (all ticket)
Oldham v Norwich
QPR v Coventry
Sheff Utd v Southampton
Tottenham v Chelsea
Wimbledon v West Ham

Second division

Barnsley v Brighton
Bristol C v Blackburn
Cambridge v Swindon
Derby v Southend
Ipswich v Middlesbrough
Leicester v Plymouth
Millwall v Sunderland
Newcastle v Watford
Oxford v Grimsby
Portsmouth v Port Vale
Wolves v Charlton

Third division

Bury v Shrewsbury
Darlington v WBA
Exeter v Brentford
Fulham v Birmingham
Hartlepool v Reading
Hull v Peterborough
L Orient v Stockport
Preston v Torquay
Stoke v Bournemouth
Swansea v Bolton

Fourth division

Burnley v Aldershot
Carlisle v Blackpool
Crewe v Cardiff
Hereford v Scarborough
Lincoln v Rotherham
Maidstone v Halifax
Mansfield v Barnet
Scunthorpe v Doncaster
Walsall v Wrexham
York v Gillingham

GM Vauxhall Conference

Altrincham v Yeovil
Barrow v Colchester
Bath v Stafford
Farnborough v Northwich
Kidderminster v Gateshead
Macclesfield v Slough
Merthyr Tydfil v Telford
Redbridge F v Kettering
Runcorn v Boston
Welling v Cheltenham
Witton v Wycombe

B and Q Scottish League
Premier division

Aberdeen v Celtic
Airdrie v Motherwell
Hibernian v Dundee U
Rangers v Dunfermline
St Johnstone v Hearts
St Mirren v Falkirk

First division

Ayr v Raith
Clydebank v Montrose
Dundee v Hamilton
Forfar v Morton
Meadowbank v Kilmarnock
Partick v Stirling

Second division

Albion v Queen of South
Berwick v Arbroath
Brechin v East Fife
Clyde v Alloa
Cowdenbeath v Stenhsmuir
Queen's Park v E Stirling
Stranraer v Dumbarton

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bashley v Burton, Bromsgrove v Cambridge City; Corby v Fisher; Crawley v Worcester; Dorchester v Chelmsford; Dover v Waterlooville; Gravesend v Gloucester; Halesowen v Dartford; Poole v Atherstone. VS Rugby v Trowbridge; Wealdstone v Moor Green. Midland division: Barry v Grantham; Bedworth v Redditch; Bilston v Sutton Coldfield; King's Lynn v Alvechurch; Newport v Leicester United; Nuneaton v Yate; Warwick v Hednesford; Rushden v Bridgnorth; Solihull v Dudley ; Stroud v Tamworth. Southern division: Andover v Hythe. Ashford v Dunstable; Baldock v Margate; Braintree v Fareham; Canterbury v Weymouth; Erith and Belvedere v Witney; Hastings v Burnham; Havant v Bury Town; Newport IOW v Buckingham. Salisbury v Sudbury; Sittingbourne v Gosport.

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Accrington v Leek; Buxton v Morecambe; Chorley v Goole; Frickley v Bangor; Gainsborough v Droylsden; Matlock v Marine; Mossley v Fleetwood; Shepshed v Horwich; Southport v Emley; Stalybridge v Bishop Auckland; Whitley Bay v Hyde. First division: Alfreton v Rhyl; Bridlington v Curzon Ashton; Caernarfon v Rossendale; Colwyn Bay v Radcliffe; Congleton v Worksop; Farsley Celtic v Workington; Irlam v Eastwood; Knowsley v Newtown; Lancaster City v Warrington; Netherfield v Guiseley; Winsford v Harrogate.

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Bognor Regis v Aylesbury; Bromley v Basingstoke; Carshalton v St Albans; Chesham v Woking; Enfield v Bishop's Stortford; Hayes v Grays; Hendon v Staines; Kingstonian v Marlow; Windsor and Eton v Dagenham; Wivenhoe v Sutton United; Wokingham v Harrow. First division: Barking v Croydon; Chalfont St Peter v Harlow; Dulwich v Aveley; Heybridge v Abingdon; Leyton-Wingate v Boreham Wood; Maidenhead v Hitchin; Molesey v Yeading; Stevenage v Dorking; Uxbridge v Wembley; Whyteleafe v Tooting and Mitcham. Second division: Banstead v Saffron Walden; Berkhamsted v Purfleet; Harefield v Egham; Lewes v Metropolitan Police; Malden Vale v Southwick; Newbury v Hemel Hempstead; Rainham v Hungerford; Southall v Billericay; Ware v Leatherhead; Witham v Ruislip Manor; Worthing v Barton.

NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Billingham Synthonia v Newcastle Blue Star; Consett v Northallerton; Easington Colliery v Shildon; Ferryhill v Brandon; Guisborough v Murton; Peterlee Newtown v Blyth Spartans; West Auckland v Langley Park Welfare; Whitby v Gretna.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bristol Manor Farm v Ottery St Mary; Dawlish v Paulton; Exmouth v Chard; Liskeard v Taunton; Mangotsfield v Elmore; Plymouth Argyle reserves v Bideford; Tiverton v Chippenham; Torrington v Minehead; Welton v Clevedon; Weston-Super-Mare v Saltash.

JEWSON LEAGUE: Premier division: Brightlingsea v Norwich; Chatteris v Brantham; Clacton v Wisbech; Felixstowe v Watton; Gorleston v March; Haverhill v Harwich and Parkeston; Histon v Stowmarket; Lowestoft v Cornard; Newmarket v Great Yarmouth; Tiptree v Thetford; Wroxham v Halstead.

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Arsenal v Millwall, Southampton v Tottenham.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Chelsea v QPR; Fulham v Ipswich; Leyton Orient v Cambridge; Millwall v Charlton; Norwich v Tottenham; Portsmouth v Arsenal; Watford v Southend; West Ham v Gillingham.

LOMBARD ULSTER CUP: First round: Section A: Ballymena v Ards; Portadown v Coleraine. Section B: Bangor v Carrick; Linfield v Crusaders. Section C: Cliftonville v Glentoran; Distillery v Ballyclare. Section D: Newry v Glenavon; Omagh v Larne.

ABACUS LEAGUE: National division: Aberystwyth v Caldicot. First division: Cardiff CS v Pontypridd/Ynysybwl.

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: UK Women's League, first division (Barnet); Southern Counties combined events championships (first day, Enfield); Northern Ireland v Scotland v Wales Under-20 International (Antrim).

BOWLS: NatWest Middleton Cup (Worthing). Home Counties League: Berkshire v Oxfordshire (Abingdon). Midland counties championship: Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire (Nottingham). County matches: Bedfordshire v Northamptonshire (Vauxhall); Hertfordshire v Suffolk (at Brandon); Worcestershire v Buckinghamshire (Droitwich Vines Park).

CANOEING: National marathon championships (Holme Pierrepont).

EQUESTRIANISM: European junior horse trials (Rotherfield Park).

GOLF: European amateur international (Hillside).

HOCKEY: Men's international: Scotland v Pakistan (Glasgow, 2.0).

MOTORCYCLING: KRC Clubman's races (Snetterton Park).

MOTOR RACING: BRSCC Clubman's races (Brands Hatch); OPRC championship races (Oulton Park).

POLO: Cheltenham Cup (Cirencester Park); Eduardo Moore memorial tournament (RCBPC Winkfield); Edinburgh Cup (Edinburgh).

POWERBOATS: Nottingham GP sportsboat (Holme Pierrepont).

RUGBY UNION: Snelling Sevens (Newport).

SHOOTING: National smallbore rifle championships (Bisley); National pistol championships (Bisley).

WEIGHTLIFTING: Silver Dragon tournament (Cardiff).

SPEEDWAY: Sunbrite League (7.30 unless stated): First division: Bradford v Berwick; Coventry v Swindon; Cradley Heath v Belle Vue; King's Lynn v Wolverhampton.

TENNIS: Midland Bank British junior championships (Nottingham).

YACHTING: Mirror Nationals (Eastbourne).

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL

3.0 unless stated

Barclays League
Third division

Huddersfield v Bradford (12.30)

LEAGUE OF IRELAND: League Cup: First round: Athlone v Drogheda (3.30); Cork City v Kilkenny (3.30); Derry City v Finn Harps (3.30); Dundalk v Monaghan (3.30); Fanad v Sligo (3.30); Galway v Longford (3.30); Limerick v Salt Hill Devon (3.30); St James's Gate v St. Patrick's Athletic (3.30); Shamrock v Bray (3.30); Shelbourne v Home Farm (3.30); UCD v Bohemians (3.30); Waterford v Cobh Ramblers (3.30).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Charity Shield

Wigan v Hull (3.15, at Gateshead Stadium)

JOHN SMITH'S YORKSHIRE CUP: Preliminary round: Doncaster v Scarborough Pirates; Nottingham City v Huddersfield; Ryedale York v Hunslet (3.15).

GREENALL'S LANCASHIRE CUP: Preliminary round: Workington v Widnes.

OTHER SPORT

ARCHERY: National compound championships (Buckland, Aylesbury).

ATHLETICS: UK Women's League (various venues); Southern Counties combined events championships (second day, Enfield); National Junior League, first division (Solihull); Isle of Man 40-mile road race.

BOWLS: Plymouth Open; EBF championships (Skegness). Tarvic Bucks Cup and Benevolent Fund Cup Final (Gerrards Cross). South-western counties championships (Wellington).

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SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

New event a reward for Rainey's efforts

By JANE WYATT

A SELECT band of drivers will be breaking new ground tomorrow when they compete in an innovative class at the Hill Climb and Sprint Association (HSA) beginners' and novices' sprint at Curborough, in Lincolnshire.

The event, sponsored by Omega Systems, is significant because it is the first time the RAC Motor Sport Association has authorised a class for registered disabled drivers using hand controls, and it opens up the possibility of a new area of competition for enthusiasts.

Category 13, as it will be known, is the result of determined effort on the part of Joy Rainey, the secretary of the HSA. Rainey, who is under four feet tall, uses slightly modified cars to enable her to reach the controls. "I thought it unfair that people who used hand controls did not have the opportunity to try hill climb and sprint, which is a great sport for beginners," she said. "As you are racing against the clock, you are not in danger from other cars spinning off, so it is unlikely you will damage your vehicle. Also, any accident you have is entirely your own fault."

In July, Rainey held a training day to encourage potential competitors to try out the course. As a result, six are entered in tomorrow's race. "Once they got behind the wheel the enthusiasm came spilling out," she said.

If the race is a success, and the RACMSA decides to continue its support, it may become an annual event. Rainey would like to stage more instruction days, encourage women to try the sport, and persuade other clubs to offer classes to drivers with disabilities.

At the European swimming championships in Barcelona, Great Britain won 23 gold medals, one fewer than Germany. The British team set seven world records, with Christopher Holmes winning five golds and setting three records.

BSAD NATIONAL ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Dunchurch): Winners: Men: Fita: S Gregory (Scot), 1,128pts (event record). Advanced metric: R Cox (West Midlands), 886pts (event record). Short metric: S Elliott (Scot), 448pts. Compound: V Wyatt (East Midlands), 815. Visually handicapped: Non-tactile: A Bass (East Midlands), 330. Tactile: R Rees-Evans (Wales), 300 (event record). Women: Fita: D Ramsey (Eastern), 1,025 (event record). Advanced metric: P Newton (Greater London), 513. Compound: R Marshall (Scot), 396 (event record). Short metric: N Steetham (West Midlands), 482 (record). Team: West Midlands, 2,229

McLaren's resolution is confirmed on eve of Belgian grand prix

Senna roars into prime position

By Norman Howell

MCLAREN has confirmed the depth of its fighting spirit by placing both their cars on the front row of the grid in the first of the two official qualifying sessions yesterday for tomorrow's Belgian grand prix. Ayrton Senna leads his team-mate, Gerhard Berger, and is one and a half seconds in front of Nigel Mansell's Williams-Renault.

That is a big gap and a surprise. Before the session, it was felt that Renault's V10 still had more "grunt" than Honda's V12. But the Japanese engineers have come up with something which seems to have, for the moment anyway, given McLaren an edge over the Williams. It is to do with the air intake trumpets, which Honda has managed to fit with a telescopic device which varies their length, thus allowing the right amount of air to reach the engine as and when needed.

It is easy to get lost in an engineering black hole in Formula One, so it is heartening to see that guile and courage, those old fashioned sporting attributes, can still overshadow all the technical mumbo-jumbo.

The guile came from Senna, who, not content with being the only driver to have dipped under 1min 50sec in qualifying, drove out of the pits before the session ended. His time had been sensational. The trumpets, lighter chassis and the qualifying fuel also helped, but his timing and astuteness made the difference.

The courage came from Michael Schumacher, aged 22, the German driver, who managed to record the eighth-fastest time on one of the fastest and most fearsome of Formula One circuits. He had never before raced in a Formula One car, let alone driven here before. All he did was borrow a pushbike on Thursday evening to ride around the 4.312-mile track. But pushbikes and Formula One cars are not quite the same and his first time through Eau Rouge, at the end of the start-finish must have been an eye opener, as well as a body bruiser as the compression and G-forces are brutal and sudden.

But Schumacher, who was brought in last week to replace Bernard Gachot, who has been jailed for assaulting a taxi driver, has already amply repaid the faith Eddie Jordan and his team have shown in his abilities. The former Mercedes driver is thought to have been retained by the British team until 1994. The Germans have also put money Jordan's way, said to be around £150,000 per race.

Schumacher has been taking all this rather calmly. Amiable and easy going, the tall racer from Cologne only had one moment of panic: "Where is the driver debriefing?", he asked to the crowds of hangers-on, sheltering from the sun under the awning by the Jordan motorhome. Blank stares. Eventually a passing journalist told him that the debriefing is usually in a team's bus. And off went Schumacher, again riding a bicycle, towards the pits.

Mansell had a mixed day, suffering engine and brake problems. He then came across a fair amount of traffic on his fast lap. "I think I could have done a sub 1:50 time, but not as fast as Senna. We have a lot of work to do; but I am confident that we will have a better day tomorrow."

ALISTAIR GRANT

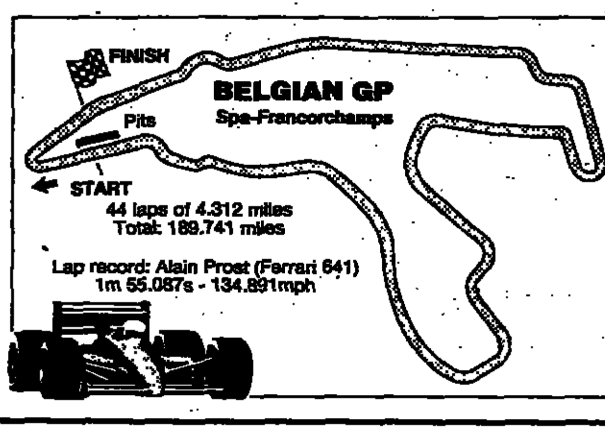
From the bike to beyond: Schumacher (right) discusses tactics for tomorrow's race with Eddie Jordan, the owner of the Jordan team

GRAND PRIX DETAILS

LEADING PRACTICE TIMES: 1, A Senna (Br), McLaren, 1min 49.100sec (229.001kph). 2, G Berger (Austria), McLaren, 1.49.485; 3, N Mansell (GB), Williams, 1.50.666, 4, A Prost (Fr), Ferrari, 1:51 369, 5, J Alesi (Fr), Ferrari, 1:51 832: 6, R Patrese (It), Williams, 1:52.646; 7, S Modena (It), Tyrrell, 1:52.899: 8, M Schumacher (Ger), Jordan, 1:53.290; 9, N Piquet (Br), Benetton, 1:53 371: 10, P Martini (It), Minardi, 1:53 460: 11, I Capelli (It), Leyton House, 1:53.603: 12, R Moreno (Br), Benetton, 1:53.664, 13, A de Cesaris (It), Jordan, 1:54 186, 14, J Lehto (Fin), Dallara, 1:54.211: 15, T Boutsen (Bel), Ligier, 1:54.446; 16, M Blundell (GB), Brabham, 1:54.814: 17, M Brundle (GB), Brabham, 1:54 921; 18, M Hakkinen (Fin), Lotus, 1:55 483: 19, J Herbert (GB), Lotus, 1:55.523: 20, E Bernard (Fr), Lola, 1:55 679: 21, S Nakajima (Japan), Tyrrell, 1:55.874, 22, C Grouillard (Fr), Fondmetal, 1.55.945: 23, M Gugelmin (Br), Leyton House, 1:56.027; 24, E Pirro (It), Dallara, 1:56.131; 25, E Comas (Fr), Ligier, 1:56 218; 26, N Larini (It), Lamborghini, 1:56.561; 27, A Suzuki (Japan), Lola, 1:56.594; 28, G Morbidelli (It), Minardi, 1:57.232; 29, A Caffi (It), Footwork, 1:57.556.

WORLD DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, Senna, 61pts; 2, Mansell, 49; 3, Patrese, 32; 4, Berger, 22; 5, Prost, 21: 6, Piquet, 18; 7, Alesi, 14, 8, Modena, 9; 9, de Cesaris, 9; 10, Moreno, 5; 11, Lehto, 4: 12, B Gachot (Fr), 4: 13, Martini, 3; 14, Hakkinen, 2; 15, Nakajima, 2; equal 16, J Bailey (GB), Suzuki, Bernard, Pirro and Capelli, 1.

WORLD CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, McLaren Honda, 83pts, 2, Williams Renault, 81, 3, Ferrari, 35; 4, Benetton Ford, 23; 5, Jordan Ford, 13, 6, Tyrrell Honda, 11; 7, Dallara Judd, 5; equal 8, Minardi Ferrari and Lotus Judd, 3; equal 10, Lola Ford and Leyton House Ilmor, 1



ROWING

Men's crews look well placed in hunt for medals

From Mike Rosewell, Rowing Correspondent, Vienna

THE first three Great Britain crews in action today in the world championship finals could all win medals for a British team which has already achieved history with ten qualifying boats.

Redgrave and Pinsent are clear favourites for the coxless pair gold, although Redgrave still dwells on the crew's disappointing third place, behind Germany and the Soviet Union in 1990. A new German crew confronts them today but the same Soviet rowers, the perennial Pimenov brothers, will be in the adjoining lane. Pinsent, a remarkably mature oarsman for his 20 years, says simply that he "fears everybody".

Maturing will be required from the coxed four, whose final is eagerly awaited by spectators and feared by the oarsmen. The British, although semi-final winners, start the race as fourth fastest qualifiers, but less than two seconds covered all six boats in Thursday's contests.

The lightweight men's four reached their final with great style. Italy and Spain did likewise and Australia, slow starters in the semi-final, cannot be ignored. Another blanket finish can be expected here for the medals.

The two British eights in tomorrow's finals are likely to find themselves in the same situation. In the heavyweight eights, the British crew, now known for its fast last quarter, could achieve the "possible medal" spoken of by Jurgen Grobler, the technical adviser, if they are well in contact with the pack at 1,500 metres. Italy's first-round showing makes them favourites for the lightweight eights, but Britain, France and possibly Australia will be in close attendance.

It is difficult to foresee any of the three open women's crews achieving a medal. In the lightweight four, however, Kate Brownlow, the stroke, is in a mood to improve on the fourth place she achieved in 1990 and the lightweight double scull has visibly improved through the week.

HOCKEY

Wing forwards pose a threat

By Sydney Friskin

GREAT Britain must find a formula to redress the balance against Pakistan at Helenvale Park, Glasgow, tomorrow in the second international. Pakistan won the first match at Prescot last week, 2-1, and there is one more on September 1 in Cardiff.

Three changes have been made in Britain's squad, with Hacker, Mayer and Nick Thompson replacing Davis, Nicklin and Kerly. Potter, having recovered from injury, has added stability at half back where Laslett, Hill and Hacker are contending for the two remaining places.

Pakistan taught Britain a lesson last week with their strength at wing forward. Britain do not have wing forwards of the class of Qamar Ibrahim and Wasim Feroze, but Williams, who spent the afternoon on the bench at Prescot, and Mayer are capable of piercing the Pakistan defence and setting up chances.

Scotland have mixed youth with experience for today's match at the same venue against Pakistan, who are making changes in defence. They will probably field their strongest side against Britain tomorrow.

ENGLAND SQUAD: S Mason (Firebrands), M Prestwich (Teddington), W Waugh (Southgate), J Wyatt (Reading), C Sage (Firebrands), A Humphrey (Welton), M Sutton (Stourport), Jasbinder Chana (Barford Tigers), R Davis (St Albans), P Gibbins (St Albans), C Bloor (Bournville), R Crutchley (Neston), D Woods (Cambridge City), J Hauck (Teddington), S Nicklin (Slough), J Lee (East Grinstead).

☐ Rowan Davis, who played for Great Britain against Pakistan at Prescot last Saturday, is in the England team for the European under-21 qualifying tournament, starting in Belfast on Monday.

Cecil filly remains unbeaten after thrilling Goodwood victory

Musicale takes the applause

By Michael Seely
Racing Correspondent

AFTER a tremendous battle in blustery conditions at Goodwood yesterday, Robert Sangster's filly Musicale maintained her unbeaten record when getting the better of Mesaafi to win the Prestige Stakes by a length.

Super Sarena stayed on strongly to finish only three-quarters of a length away third.

Yesterday's 15-8 favourite was giving Henry Cecil his fifth victory in the Sussex track's group three test for two-year-old fillies. And the last time that Pat Eddery had won the race for the nine times champion trainer was on Fairy Footsteps in 1980, who went on to capture the 1,000 Guineas the following season.

Paying tribute to the winner, the champion jockey said: "I like her a lot. She's very tough. The wind was blowing right into me all the way. But she's very honest and won well."

The bookmakers, however, were not impressed by yesterday's form. William Hill quoted Musicale and the runner-up together at 33-1 for the first of the fillies' classics, for which Mahasin remains favourite at 16-1.

Speaking from Newmarket, Cecil said: "She's a great battler and she remains unbeaten, but I'm not sure where I'll run her next. That's the fifth horse I've run for Robert Sangster this season and they've all won."

Half-an-hour later, Cecil cannot have been pleased to see Sangster complete a long-range double when Ray Cochrane, deputising for the flu-stricken Walter Swinburn, drove Michael Stoute's newcomer Mojave past the Warren Place candidate, Lead The Dance, inside the last furlong of the Blue Peter Graduation Stakes.

McCormack: game win for his Montendre

Basma, the 5-4 favourite to follow up an impressive Goodwood debut for Dick Hern and Willie Carson, proved a bitter disappointment, weakening in the last furlong and a half after pulling hard in the early stages.

A bright future appears to lie in store for yesterday's 11-2 winner. "She's entered up in all the good races," said Stoute. "She hasn't been enjoying the firm ground. But she's certainly appreciated the cut after the rain. Ray said he felt her stretch out on the way to the start."

The other two-year-old race, the Port of Tilbury Maiden Stakes, resulted in Paul Cole having his third two-year-old winner in two days when Richard Quinn drove First Century past the post a length in front of Stoute's Alnasr Alwasheek.

Fern, Luca Cumani's previously unraced daughter of Free Guest, the 9-4 favourite, finished only three-quarters of a length away third. This trio were well clear of the rest of the field.

Cole has now saddled 20 winners of this age group from 65 runners, a strike-rate of just over 30 per cent. "This is a nice colt and we've always liked him," said Rupert Arnold, the assistant trainer. "But we haven't really tried him properly at home. He hasn't even been galloped on the grass. Great Palm, on the other hand, we'd worked with the good two-year-olds so we knew a bit about him."

The day's principal race, the £15,000 Hopeful Stakes, saw a marvellous set-to between Montendre and Gentle Hero. After Cumani had withdrawn Be Fresh because of the soft ground, a gamble developed on Gentle Hero. The northern challenger looked sure to succeed as Michael Roberts drove the five-year-old into the lead entering the last furlong. But riding like a man inspired, Steve Cauthen forced Montendre back in front close home to win by a short head.

Formerly trained by Cumani, yesterday's 7-1 winner is now in the care of Matty McCormack at Wantage. "We've had a lot of problems with him," said the trainer. "He was all wrong when he came back from Ireland and he's also had to be treated by Anthony Webber for his back. But it's good to have won a decent race with him."

McCormack has no firm plans for the winner, but Gentle Hero is firmly on target for the Ayr Gold Cup, for which the five-year-old is one of the joint co-favourites at 16-1.

The changed ground was also responsible for the astonishing ease of the victory of Snowgirl, whom John Carroll brought home five lengths clear of Glenfield Greta in the Reflex and Compaq Handicap. This was the 129th victory of the season for the remarkable Jack Berry and the 79th for his jockey, John Carroll. "The soft ground did the trick," said the trainer. "The Ayr Gold Cup in 1992 is her long-term target."

Carson, who looked like posing a strong challenge to Eddery for the jockeys' championship only a fortnight ago, has been out of luck lately. But the former champion's luck changed when a losing sequence of 29 finally ended as Carson rode Itqan to a comfortable three-length victory in the Breheny Handicap for Barry Hills.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S THREE MEETINGS

Goodwood

Going: good to firm first two races, becoming good (round course) and good to soft (straight)

2.10 (5f) 1, CITY LINK PET (D Holland, 9-2); 2, Anytime Anywhere (Mark Denaro, 20-1), 3, Ski Captain (R Perham, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 4 fav Fontaine Lady (4th), 6 Songlines, 13-2 Mazarine Blue (6th), 7 Gabibti, 8 Coppermill Lad (5th) 8 ran. 2l, 3l, ½l, hd, 2½l. D Wilson at Epsom. Tote: £4.50; £1.80, £3.00, £1 70. DF: £58.40 CSF: £63.99 Tricast: £466.94. 59.68sec.

2.40 (1m) 1, BURDUR (L Piggott, 7-1); 2, Something Quick (R Perham, 6-1), 3, USA Dollar (D Holland, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Well Furnished (4th), 4 Dibloom, 11-2 Takenhall (6th), Premier Prince (5th). 7 ran. NR: Foolish Touch, African Chimes. 2½l, ½l, nk, ½l, nk. B Hanbury at Newmarket. Tote: £6 60; £2.80, £3.20 DF: £30.10. Trio: £48.10. CSF: £42.21 Tricast: £272.53. 1min 44 01sec.

3.10 (7f) 1, MUSICALE (Pat Eddery, 15-8 fav; Mandarin's nap); 2, Mesaafi (L Piggott, 2-1), 3, Super Sarena (W Newnes, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Paradise Way (4th), 6 Choppy Choppy (5th) 5 ran. NR: Flourishing. 1l, ¾l, 3½l, 2l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £2.70; £1.50, £1.40 DF: £1.70 CSF: £5.63 1min 32.56sec

3.40 (1m 4f) 1, JAMES IS SPECIAL (J Quinn, 4-1 jt-fav); 2, Vasiliev (Pat Eddery, 4-1); 3, Moon Festival (L Piggott, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Broom Rose (4th), 6 Wings Of Freedom (5th), Fitness Fanatic (6th), 11 Tactical Mission. 7 ran. 6l, 10l, nk, 7l, 10l. H Collingridge at Newmarket. Tote: £3.60; £1.90, £2.80. DF: £9.70 CSF: £18.76. 2min 43.23sec.

4.15 (6f) 1, STRANGE KNIGHT (D Holland, 3-1 fav); 2, Kate Royale (S Whitworth, 100-30); 3, High Post (A Clark, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Story Of My Life (4th), 6 Nightslip (6th), 8 Good Old George (5th). 6 ran. NR: Rumbelow. Nk, 5l, 1½l, 1½l, 2l. R Stubbs at Newmarket. Tote, £3.10: £1 60. £1.60 DF £3.20. CSF: £12.57. 1min 16 14sec.

4.50 (1m 1f) 1, DYD (T Sprake, 25-1): 2, Ciboure (D Holland, 8-1); 3, Slick Cherry (J Hunter, 13-2) ALSO RAN 3 fav Bosambo, 5 Rosietoes, 7 Scales Of Justice, 10 Ivan The Terrible, 11 Vanroy (4th). 12 Walking Saint (5th). Madam Jac, 20 Heroes Sash (6th), 25 Faldo, Classics Pearl. 13 ran 6l, 2½l, 1l, 1l, hd. P Makin at Marlborough Tote: £83.30; £12.10, £2.60, £2.60. DF: £251 10 CSF: £202.71. 1min 59.68sec.

5.20 (7f) 1, SANTI SANA (Paul Eddery, 7-1); 2, Consigliere (Pat Eddery, 5-1); 3, Tea Dust (M Hills, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 3 fav Miss Cookie (5th). 9-2 Gracious Beauty (6th), 14 Di Stefano, 16 Clipper One (4th), 25 One Dollar More 8 ran. NR: Tanegrus, Three Lucky. ½l, 2½l, 2l, nk, sh hd. Lady Herries at Littlehampton. Tote: £8.60, £1.90, £2.00, £1 70. DF: £22.60. CSF: £36.22 1min 31.27sec.

Jackpot: not won (pool of £40,780.40 carried forward to Goodwood today). Placepot: £2,587.20.

Newmarket

Going: good

2.00 (7f) 1, CANDLE KING (M Roberts, 11-2); 2, Northern Rising (J Quinn, 6-1); 3, Summer Sands (J Williams, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 4 fav Tumble Twist, 6 Catundra, 12 Kirby Opportunity, 14 Mystery Cargo, Savanga, Felin Blwm, Little Bang (4th). 33 Aragon Court (6th), 50 Blazing Pearl, Roaving Monty, Miss Magenta (5th) 14 ran NR: Constructive. 2½l, 3l, nk, ¾l, 2½l. M Fetherston-Godley at East Ilsley. Tote: £8.20; £2.10, £2.00, £1.70. DF: £36.80. CSF: £35.85. 1min 30.17sec. Bought in 4,300gns.

2.35 (7f) 1, FIRST CENTURY (T Quinn, 8-1); 2, Alnasr Alwasheek (S Cauthen, 3-1), 3, Fern (L Dettori, 9-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 9 Iywaan, Prince Pericles, 14 Maclaines Pride, Owner's Dream (4th). 20 Dazzling Display, Everso Irish, Hollywood Harry. Teddy's Play, Yaakum, 25 Bentico, Cutting Reef (5th), 33 Digger Doyle, Erlemo, Northern Blade (6th), Super Summit. 18 ran NR: Autocracy. 1l, ¾l, 12l, ½l, ½l. P Cole at Whatcombe. Tote: £18 60; £4.90, £2.00, £1.50. DF: £18.50. CSF. £34.19. 1min 29.27sec.

3.05 (6f) 1, SNOWGIRL (J Carroll, 7-1): 2, Glenfield Greta (M Roberts, 11-2); 3, Eastern Music (W Carson, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 4 fav Everset, 9-2 Merryhill Maid (5th), 5 Samsolom (6th), 11-2 Zonina, 12 Chance All (4th), 33 Yes. 9 ran. NR: Morgannwg. 5l, 3½l, ¾l, ¾l, 1½l. J Berry at Cockerham. Tote. £9.50; £2.50, £2.40, £2.80. DF: £33.10. Trio: 375.00. CSF: £42.09. Tricast: £350 75 1min 18.15sec

3.35 (6f) 1, MONTENDRE (S Cauthen, 7-1); 2, Gentle Hero (M Roberts, 6-1); 3, Katzakeena (B Raymond, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 fav Sizzling Saga (4th). 5 Lee Artiste, 7 Mujadil, Mathkurh (6th), 10 Mohawk Chief, 25 Punch N'Run (5th), 50 Vax Lady, 100 Tenderetta. 11 ran. NR. Be Fresh. Sh hd, 1½l, sh hd, 5l, sh hd. M McCormack at Wantage. Tote: £8.10; £2.40, £1 40, £6.30. DF. £37.20 CSF: £42.98. 1min 19.09sec.

4.05 (1m 6f 175yd) 1, ITQAN (W Carson, 4-1); 2, Northwold Star (G Duffield, 11-2), 3, Grey Power (D Harrison, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Star Player (4th). 5 Sailor Boy (5th), 6 Gippeswyck Lady (6th) 6 ran. NR: Hidden Quest 3l, 4l, 8l, 12l, ½l. B Hills at Lambourn. Tote: £3 10; £2 00, £2.60. DF. £10.60. CSF £22 10. 3min 15.33sec

4.35 (6f) 1, MOJAVE (R Cochrane, 11-2); 2, Lead The Dance (S Cauthen, 15-8); 3, Walking On Water (B Raymond, 8-1). ALSO RAN. 5-4 fav Basma (4th), 12 Anguish (5th). 6 ran. 1½l, 5l, 4l, 20l. M Stoute at Newmarket Tote: £5.20: £2.50, £1.50. DF: £7.90 CSF: £15.58. 1min 18.96sec

Placepot: £740.20.

Devon & Exeter

Going: firm

2.20 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Nordic Delight (P Scudamore, 4-9 fav); 2, Grey Sonata (10-1); 3, Marlborough Lady (6-1) 7 ran. 8l, 4l. M Pipe. Tote: £1.40, £1 10, £2 40 DF: £4.10 CSF: £6.76.

2.50 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Arabian Sultan (P Scudamore, 2-9 fav); 2, To Be Fair (5-1), 3, Royal Warden (66-1) 5 ran. 10l, 12l. M Pipe. Tote: £1.20; £1 10, £1.50. DF: £1.60. CSF: £1.96.

3.20 (2m 6f ch) 1, Refute (P Scudamore, 2-5 fav); 2, Headin' On (7-2); 3, Torre Trader (20-1). 6 ran. 2½l, dist. M Pipe. Tote. £1.40; £1.30, £1 30 DF: £1.80. CSF. £2.30.

3.50 (2m 1f ch) 1, Takemethere (P Scudamore, 4-11 fav), 2, Spice Merchant (11-2); 3, Chummy's Staff (16-1). 5 ran. 8l, 4l M Pipe. Tote: £1 20: £1.10, £1.10. DF: £1.70. CSF: £2.92.

4.20 (2m 1f hdle) 1, The Blue Boy (P Scudamore, 2-15 fav); 2, Trust Deed (12-1); 3, Super Malt (12-1). 5 ran 10l, 12l. M Pipe. Tote: £1.10, £1.20, £2.30. DF: £2.40 CSF. £3.36.

4.50 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Frosty Reception (N Coleman, 15-8); 2, Ever Smile (5-6 fav); 3, Sporting Idol (25-1). 5 ran. NR: Sweet N' Twenty. 3½l, 8l. J Baker. Tote: £2.60: £1.40, £1.20. DF: £1.70. CSF: £3.89

Placepot: £1.70.

THURSDAY'S LATE RESULTS

Salisbury

Going: good to firm

7.00 (6f 212yd) 1, White Blade (A Clark, 5-2 jt-fav); 2, Native Chieftan (5-2 jt-fav), 3, Treasure Trove (3-1) 5 ran NR: Bobzao, Pearly White. 1½l, 3l G Harwood. Tote. £3.10; £1.80. £1.90. DF: £4.50. CSF: £8.90. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood

7.30 (1m 1f 209yd) 1, Janbiya (A Munro, 5-1), 2, Knock Knock (7-2); 3, Valiant Warrior (7-2). Chiefs Babu 100-30 fav. 6 ran. 2½l, nk. H Thomson Jones Tote: £5.50: £2.00, £2.00. DF: £10.50. CSF: £22.06

8.00 (1m 4f) 1, Chestnut Tree (A Munro, 9-2); 2. Mountain Bloom (11-10 fav), 3, Spitfire Girl (14-1) 10 ran 5l, nk. Lord Huntingdon. Tote: £4.50; £1.50. £1 30. £2.80. DF: £3.50 CSF: £10 13

Placepot: £66.60.

Snurge to complete treble at Deauville

SNURGE (Richard Quinn) looks to have a fine chance of making it three wins from three outings this season in the Grand Prix de Deauville Lancel tomorrow (Our French Racing Correspondent writes).

However, reports of Jim Bolger's Topanoora making quick reappearance following his York run earlier in the week have proved premature.

With Topanoora out, Snurge's main opponent in the ten-runner line-up may be the Andre Fabre-trained Antisaar (Steve Cauthen), who makes his second appearance at the meeting following a defeat at the hands of Muroto earlier in the month.

Jimmy Fitzgerald's Sapience is the second British contender in the £51,000 Grand Prix over an extended one-and-a-half miles. The four-year-old, who has not been out since finishing fifth behind Generous in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Stakes, will be ridden by Pat Eddery.

The other British contender at Deauville is Henry Cecil's Redden Burn, whom Steve Cauthen partners in today's group three Prix Quincey.

Harwood told to improve lads' housing

GUY Harwood has been ordered to improve accommodation for stable staff at his Pulborough yard in Sussex.

Horsham District Council has refused permission for Harwood to continue using Portakabins as housing for lads and lasses.

Council officers were "horrified" at the living quarters, and have told Harwood they must be vacated within six months.

Council chairman, Michael Howard, said: "Our officers were horrified at the conditions that the lads were living under. Public health officers were called in, and they were also concerned about the situation.

"Mr Harwood has been using this accommodation since 1981 on a supposedly temporary basis. Councillors felt it was time he sorted the problem out, and have issued a six-month compliance notice."

Martin White, office manager at the Coombelands racing stables, said around 20 staff used the Portakabins. "I'm not sure yet what measures we are going to adopt, but the situation will be sorted out," he added.

☐ Amateur rider Sharron Murgatroyd is still undergoing tests in Oswestry Hospital to assess the full extent of the damage caused after she broke her neck in a fall at Bangor three weeks ago.

O'Toole to foil raiders with course winner Echo Rock

From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

THERE is total prize-money of Ir£500,000 at stake in the Tattersalls Breeders' Stakes over six furlongs at the Curragh today, and this event, confined to graduates from the Tattersalls yearling sale at Fairyhouse last September, has attracted 23 runners, six of them British.

If the race was over five furlongs, Jack Berry's filly Nifty Fifty would surely have the legs of all her rivals.

She is the winner of three of her six starts in England, including a victory over the York winner Another Episode, and last time out she failed by two lengths to concede 21lb to Wild Honour when fourth in the Ralph Hubbard Memorial Nursery at Goodwood.

Lester Piggott will have to do his best to try and hold her together in the closing stages, but I doubt if she will be able to resist the final dash of the Mick O'Toole-trained Echo Rock. This is the only course and distance winner in the race and the form has stood up well.

Piggott should have an easier task in the less valuable, but more prestigious group three Anglesey Stakes in which he continues his partnership with the Vincent O'Brien-trained unbeaten two-year-old El Prado.

The Robert Sangster-owned youngster has so far won twice over six furlongs and the manner in which he finished indicated that he will be suited by the extra distance here.

The prospective British challenge in the other group three race, the Meld Fillies' Stakes, has melted away and this should simplify the task of Eileen Jenny, the selected of three useful runners saddled here by John Oxx.

She took third place behind Possessive Dancer and Jet Ski Lady in the Kildangan Stud Irish Oaks with Often Ahead, reopposing now, two lengths behind in fourth place.

Oxx also has a first-class chance of winning the valuable Rockingham Handicap with Sheikh Mohammed's Spy School. Last year, as a three-year-old, he won with 9st 9lb, the same weight as he carries today.

CARTMEL

MANDARIN

2.15 If You Say So. 2.50 At Peace. 3.25 Fighting Jessica. 4.00 Cosmic Ray. 4.35 Magic Soldier. 5.10 Homile.

THUNDERER

2.15 Barlad. 2.50 Rawaan. 3.25 Direct Interest. 4.00 Nickel Silver. 4.35 March Ahead. 5.10 What A Card.

GOING. SOFT (GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES)

2.15 EBF NOVICES HURDLE
(Qualifier: £1,693: 2m 1f) (11 runners)

1 550- BELLAGIO BILL 89 C Bridgett 6-11-0 Mr P Craggs
2 5- BURREN LOVE 88 G Richards 6-11-0 G McCourt
3 P6F- HELMAR 141 F Jordan 5-11-0 J Lodder
4 2- IF YOU SAY SO 91 W A Stephenson 5-11-0 A Merrigan
5 0P-3 PAMELA'S LAD 21 M Hammond 5-11-0 P Niven
6 52-2 RYTON RUN 11 J White 6-11-0 A Jones
7 BALUKEK J Upson 4-10-11 R Supple
8 BARLAD G Richards 4-10-11 N Doughty
9 KAHIN D Gandolfo 4-10-11 D Meade (7)
10 06- STRONG VIEWS 92 W A Stephenson 4-10-11 C Grant
11 LADY KATE M Chapman 4-10-6 W Worthington

13-8 If You Say So, 3-1 Barlad, 9-2 Ryton Run, 6-1 Balukek, 8-1 Burren Love, 10-1 others.

2.50 CHAS KENDALL SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,686: 2m 1f) (9)

1 24-1 RAWAAN 7 (D,F,S) N Tinkler 4-11-10 G McCourt
2 20-4 PENLLYNE'S PRIDE 16 (D,F,G) R Juckes 10-11-9 M A Fitzgerald (7)
3 0F-1 AT PEACE 7 (F) J White 5-11-9 A Webb
4 543- HEAVENLY HOOFER 5F (F,G) W Storey 8-11-4 K Doolan
5 /6-3 CHIMES OF THE DAWN 14 D Burchell 7-11-3 D J Burchell
6 553- OUR VISION 10F (B) L Codd 4-10-13 F Murtagh (7)
7 010/ DRAW THE LINE 523 (F,G) B Richmond 12-10-12 D Byrne
8 P0P- AILEEN'S JOY 38F R Fisher 4-10-0 R Hodge (7)
9 /0P- BANKER MASON 126F (B) D Yeoman 5-10-0 P A Farrell

11-8 At Peace, 3-1 Rawaan, 5-1 Penllyne's Pride, 8-1 Chimes Of The Dawn, Heavenly Hoofer, 10-1 others.

3.25 ABBEY HOUSE HANDICAP CHASE
(£2,941: 3m 1f) (7)

1 342- NAUTICAL JOKE 89 (D,F,G,S) W A Stephenson 12-11-13 C Grant
2 3U2- FIGHTING JESSICA 145 (D,BF,G) J Upson 8-11-12 R Supple
3 F1-2 STEPFASTER 8 (F,G) W A Stephenson 6-11-2 K Johnson
4 13-5 ISOBAR 15 (C,F) M Chapman 5-10-7 W Worthington
5 42-2 EDDIES WELL 15 (F,S) R Fisher 8-10-5 R Hodge (7)
6 U04- CONTACT KELVIN 92F (G,S) N Bycroft 9-10-3 R Marley
7 2-11 DIRECT INTEREST 7 (F,G) Denys Smith 8-10-2 P Niven

9-4 Direct Interest, 3-1 Stepfaster, 9-2 Eddies Well, 11-2 Fighting Jessica, 15-2 Isobar, 10-1 others.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: All engagements (dead): Senator's Alibi, Birdbrook Song, Express Air, Atig, Unity On Harry, Dark Heritage.

4.00 TOTE CREDIT HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,227: 2m 1f) (7)

1 44-1 DEB'S BALL 16 (CD,F) D Moffatt 5-11-12 D J Moffatt (7)
2 161- COSMIC RAY 58F (D,F,G,S) Mrs V Aconley 6-11-7 R Hodge (7)
3 226- WINDWARD ARIOM 10F (F,S) N Bycroft 5-11-4 F Murtagh (7)
4 132- ABIGAIL'S DREAM 106F D Burchell 4-11-2 D J Burchell
5 28-3 SLIPPERY MAX 16 (D,F,G) R Juckes 7-10-10 M A Fitzgerald (7)
6 15-3 NICKEL SILVER 22 (V,F) G Richards 7-10-5 M Moloney (3)
7 060- DALMORE 92 (V,F,G) F Watson 5-10-0 R Garritty

5-2 Deb's Ball, 3-1 Slippery Max, 7-2 Nickel Silver, 6-1 Windward Ariom, 8-1 Cosmic Ray, 10-1 others.

4.35 KILROE CIVIL ENGINEERING LTD NOVICES CHASE (£2,579: 2m 5f) (6)

1 P0P- ANTHONY HILL 119 (B) N Bycroft 10-11-2 R Marley
2 855- CARSWELL'S CHOICE 101 (F) R Fisher 8-11-2 P Niven
3 P-F2 MAGIC SOLDIER 8 (G) G Richards 6-11-2 N Doughty
4 044- PADDY'S GLEN 88 W Barker 14-11-2 G Harker
5 4-22 VANTARD 15 (B) Mrs J Jordan 9-11-2 M Sharratt (7)
6 21-5 MARCH AHEAD 7 (F) W A Stephenson 5-10-12 K Johnson

4-6 Magic Soldier, 5-2 March Ahead, 9-2 Vantard, 14-1 others.

5.10 CARTMEL PRIORY JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £1,726: 2m 1f) (13)

1 4 AUVILLAR 14 (V) D Burchell 10-10 D J Burchell
2 32 HOMILE 12 (B) P Blockley 10-10 P Midgley (7)
3 54 ON THE LINE 7 M H Easterby 10-10 L Wyer
4 9 ROUTING 15 (BF) M Hammond 10-10 P Niven
5 4 SET THE STANDARDS 7 A Williams 10-10 G Thomson (7)
6 FAST-TALKIN TINKER 47F G Richards 10-7 N Doughty
7 LYPHAR DANCER 182F P Haslam 10-7 J Callaghan (3)
8 SHARP ISSUE 8F M Chapman 10-7 G McCourt
9 UN SOUVERAIN 54F M Chapman 10-7 A Orkney
10 0 AUGHTON RIDGE 10F M Chapman 10-2 W Worthington
11 DICEBIRD 25F Mrs V Aconley 10-2 Mr S Charlton (7)
12 LOVES REVENGE 38F R Whitaker 10-2 S Turner
13 5 WHAT A CARD 7 Denys Smith 10-2 C Grant

3-1 Auvillar, 4-1 What A Card, 5-1 Un Souverain, 6-1 Lyphar Dancer, Homile, 8-1 Set the Standards, 10-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: G Richards, 11 winners from 23 runners, 47.8%. W A Stephenson, 14 from 47, 29.8%; Denys Smith, 6 from 23, 26.1%; M Chapman, 10 from 73, 13.7%; J White, 4 from 34, 11.8%. (Only qualifiers).

JOCKEYS: N Doughty, 7 winners from 12 rides, 58 3%; G McCourt, 6 from 12, 50.0%; D Byrne, 3 from 8, 37.5%, R Supple, 3 from 9, 33.3%, C Grant, 13 from 40, 32.5%; K Johnson, 3 from 11, 27.3%.

Rokeby has fine win

THE Ian Balding-trained juvenile Rokeby, a 5-3 on chance, gained a three-quarters of a length victory under John Reid in the £6,920 Kronimus Rennen (7f) at Baden-Baden yesterday.

The Denys Smith-trained Karinga Bay (Brian Rouse) finished third behind Turfkonig and Bin Shaddad in the £22,491 group three Spreti-Rennen (10f), with Balding's veteran Song Of Sixpence sixth of the ten runners.

Turfkonig may run in the Champion Stakes at Newmarket in October.

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Only Yours to land valuable prize

MANDARIN

ONLY Yours, a high-class filly from a stable in outstanding form, can gain her most valuable success to date in a sub-standard race for the Beefeater Gin Celebration Mile at Goodwood today.

A winner of the group two Lowther Stakes at York 12 months ago, the daughter of Aragon was deemed good enough to contest the 1,000 Guineas in the spring and finished a highly creditable fifth to Shadayid, beaten little more than three lengths.

After three slightly disappointing runs, *Only Yours* returned to her best in the group two Child Stakes at Newmarket last month, beating Trojan Crown and Satin Flower by one-and-a-half lengths and the same.

The Richard Hannon-trained filly may have found seven furlongs on this sharp course a little on the short side when third to Himiko in her next race but quickly regained the winning thread in the Forte Hungerford Stakes over an extended seven furlongs at Newbury eight days ago.

Her most dangerous rival this afternoon looks to be Bold Russian, who belatedly gained his first pattern success in the group three Beeswing Stakes at Newcastle last month, beating Nicholas by two-and-a-half lengths.

Nicholas went on to finish eighth, beaten eight lengths, to Only Yours at Newbury, suggesting the Barry Hills-trained colt has something to find with my selection.

That view is supported by a direct form line involving the pair. At Royal Ascot in June, Only Yours finished fifth to Sikeston in the Queen Anne Stakes with Bold Russian six-and-a-half lengths behind in eighth.

Of the other three runners in today's race, I have most regard for Crystal Path, who showed improvement to finish second in the group two Prix d'Astarte at Deauville three weeks ago.

Hannon has a worthy contender for the valuable Sport On 5 Handicap in top-weight Knight Of Mercy but the five-year-old finished a neck behind third-placed Masnun when fourth in the Stewards' Cup and is now a pound worse off.

Masnun has shown his liking for this track on more than one occasion, lifting this prize two years ago, and is fancied to provide local trainer Roland O'Sullivan with a popular victory.

In the other televised Goodwood race, the listed March Stakes, Henry Cecil's Lancashire Oaks runner-up La Sky has a clear chance of beating the colts. Cecil and Pat Eddery can complete a double with the promising Sandown third Bilateral in the Solent Graduation Stakes.

At Newmarket, Carnival Baby is nominated as the day's best bet in the Danepak Bacon Handicap. Michael Stoute's Northern Baby colt showed progressive form to win at Beverley, Ripon and Salisbury in June and, after a two-month break, should now be ready to pick up where he left off.

Stoute introduces the highly-regarded Perfect Circle in the EBF Park Lodge Maiden Stakes and the Caerleon colt, closely related to the useful Thorn Dance, can spark a stable double.

GOODWOOD

MANDARIN
2.00 La Sky.
2.30 Masnun.
3.10 Only Yours.
3.40 Gilderdale.
4.10 Bilateral.
4.45 Marine Diver.
5.15 Heather Bank.

THUNDERER
2.00 La Sky.
2.30 Knight Of Mercy.
3.10 Only Yours.
3.40 Gilderdale.
4.10 BILATERAL (nap).
4.45 Amethystine.
5.15 Heather Bank.

MICHAEL SEELY
4.10 BILATERAL (nap).

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 Libk. 4.10 Bilateral.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.00 LA SKY.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 6F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.00 MARCH STAKES (Listed race: 3-Y-O: £10,672: 1m 6f) (5 runners) BBC1

101	(1)	031	ARCADIAN HEIGHTS 57 (G) (J Pearce) G Wragg 8-11	W Newnes	73
102	(4)	2-34082	JAHAFIL 10 (BF,G) (H Al-Maktoum) W Hern 8-11	W Carson	90
103	(3)	014-15	KIMBERS 22 (G) (Mrs W Tulloch) C Nelson 8-11	J Reid	91
104	(2)	10-0111	LIBK 49 (F,G) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-11	R Hills	92
105	(5)	112	LA SKY 49 (F,S) (Marven Stud Ltd) H Cecil 8-6	Pat Eddery	● 99

BETTING: 4-5 La Sky, 11-4 Libk, 7-2 Jahafil, 7-1 Arcadian Heights, Kimbers.

1990: RIVER GOD 9-1 S Cauthen (4-7 fav) H Cecil 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

ARCADIAN HEIGHTS beat Shalegal 3l in a maiden at Newmarket (1m 7f, good). JAHAFIL ½l and a neck 3rd, promoted to 2nd, to Kalmedene in a handicap at Salisbury (1m 4f, firm). Previously, creditable 3l 4th to Man From Eldorado in a listed race, here, (1m 2f, good to firm). KIMBERS 8l 5th to Fly Away Soon in a listed race, here, (1m 4f, good). Previously, beat Maraakiz 1½l at Chepstow (1m 4f, good). LIBK completed a treble when beating Hawait Al Barr 3½l in a handicap at Haydock (1m 4f, good to firm). Previously, beat Habaayib by ½l in a ladies' race at York (1m 4f, good). LA SKY 1½l 2nd to Patricia in group III Lancashire Oaks at Haydock (1m 4f, good to firm).
Selection: LA SKY (nap)

2.30 SPORT ON 5 HANDICAP (£15,010: 6f) (13 runners) BBC1

201	(8)	653-044	KNIGHT OF MERCY 6 (CD,F,G,S) (M Grant) R Hannon 5-9-11	Pat Eddery	93
202	(9)	0-52205	SILVER SINGING 14 (C,BF,F,G) (P Mellon) I Balding 4-9-2	W Newnes	96
203	(11)	3302/00	PADDY CHALK 29 (D,F,G) (Mrs R Wellman) L Holt 5-9-0	A McGlone	—
204	(7)	12-0011	MARAATIB 15 (D,F,G) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-8-13	R Hills	90
205	(1)	150602	GRAND PRIX 16 (CD,F,G) (Mrs T Brown) D Elsworth 6-8-12	A Cruz	● 99
206	(12)	00-3042	HINARI TELEVIDEO 7 (D,F,S) (Mark Johnston Ltd) M Johnston 5-8-12	R P Elliott	93
207	(5)	411600	AUGHFAD 25 (V,CD,F,G,S) (M MacCarthy) T Casey 5-8-10	J Reid	95
208	(6)	062044	GREEN DOLLAR 7 (CD,F,G) (B Azemoudeh) E Wheeler 8-8-10	W Carson	96
209	(3)	104555	HARD TO FIGURE 8 (D,F,G) (J Mursell) R Hodges 5-8-9	T Sprake	95
210	(2)	350035	MASNUN 16 (CD,BF,F,S) (I Page) R O'Sullivan 6-8-9	D Biggs (5)	95
211	(13)	10-330	MAYAASA 8 (F) (Miss H Al Maktoum) A Scott 3-8-6	J Fortune	91
212	(4)	501100	PETRACO 4 (B,D,G) (B Hampson) L Codd 3-8-2	A Tucker (5)	91
213	(10)	240611	DIVINE PET 7 (D,F,G) (Mrs A Taylor) W Wightman 6-7-7	T Williams	98

BETTING: 5-1 Knight Of Mercy, 6-1 Divine Pet, 7-1 Grand Prix, 8-1 Aughfad, Masnun, Silver Singing, 10-1 Green Dollar, Maraatib, 12-1 Hard To Figure, Hinari Televideo, 14-1 Petraco, 25-1 Mayaasa, 40-1 Paddy Chalk.

1990: BE FRESH 4-9-10 L Dettori (10-1) L Cumani 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

KNIGHT OF MERCY 4½l 4th to Fenpark in group III Prix De Meautry at Deauville (6f, good). SILVER SINGING 1l 5th to Cantoris at Haydock (5f, good). MARAATIB completed handicap double when beating On The Edge a neck at Redcar (5f, good to firm). HINARI TELEVIDEO 2½l 2nd to Premier Touch at Ripon (6f, good to firm), with GREEN DOLLAR (2lb better off) ½l 4th.
MASNUN 3l 3rd to Notley in Stewards' Cup over course and distance (good), with KNIGHT OF MERCY (1lb worse off) neck 4th, HARD TO FIGURE (2lb better off) neck 5th, SILVER SINGING (same terms) neck 7th, HINARI TELEVIDEO (1lb worse off) neck 8th, AUGHFAD (4lb worse off) ½l 9th and GRAND PRIX 19th. PETRACO has been disappointing since beating Northern Spark head at York (6f, good) in July, with MAYAASA (2lb better off) a short head 3rd. DIVINE PET beat Viceroy ½l at Newbury (5f, good to firm). Previously, beat GRAND PRIX (7lb better off) ½l at Brighton (6f, good to firm), with GREEN DOLLAR (10lb better off) 1½l 4th and MASNUN (6lb better off) ¾l 5th.
Selection: KNIGHT OF MERCY

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
T Casey	4	7	57.1	Pat Eddery	63	288	21.9
H Cecil	28	68	41.2	M Hills	17	88	19.3
M Stoute	18	83	21.7	W Carson	46	270	17.0
J Hills	9	44	20.5	J Reid	27	166	16.3
G Wragg	5	27	18.5				
J Berry	10	57	17.5				

(Only qualifiers)

(Not including yesterday's results)

3.10 BEEFEATER GIN CELEBRATION MILE (Group II: £47,545: 1m) (5 runners) BBC1

301	(3)	2-42021	BOLD RUSSIAN 26 (D,F,G) (Lord White of Hull) B Hills 4-9-0	W Carson	● 99
302	(1)	0-41321	FLASHFOOT 21 (CD,F) (J Smith) I Balding 3-8-8	Pat Eddery	92
303	(4)	050131	ONLY YOURS 8 (D,F,G) (Mrs M Butcher) R Hannon 3-8-8	J Reid	95
304	(2)	104-150	BALWA 56 (F,G) (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) A Scott 3-8-5	J Fortune	90
305	(5)	212282	CRYSTAL PATH 21 (D,F,G) (Ecurie Fustok) M Moubarak 3-8-5	A Cruz	96

BETTING: 5-4 Only Yours, 13-8 Bold Russian, 11-2 Flashfoot, 8-1 Crystal Path, 14-1 Balwa.

1990: SHAVIAN 3-9-0 S Cauthen (5-2 fav) H Cecil 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

BOLD RUSSIAN beat Nicholas 2½l in group III Beeswing Stakes at Newcastle (7f, good to firm). Previously, 3l 2nd to Rinpa in a listed race at the Curragh (1m, good to firm).
FLASHFOOT beat Dawson Place 1l over course and distance (good to firm). Previously 2½l 2nd to Adversary at Newbury (1m 2f 6yd, good). ONLY YOURS beat Jimmy Barnie ¾l in group III Hungerford Stakes at Newbury (7f 64yd, good to firm). Previously, beat Trojan Crown 1½l in group II Child Stakes at Newmarket (1m, good), with CRYSTAL PATH last of 8. BALWA has been disappointing since beating Soleil Dancer 1½l on reappearance at Newmarket (7f, good). CRYSTAL PATH 1l 2nd to Leariva in group II Prix D'Astarte at Deauville (1m, good to soft).
Selection: ONLY YOURS

3.40 RICHMOND-BRISSAC TROPHY HANDICAP (Amateurs: £3,622: 1m 1f) (7 runners)

401	(4)	5-11601	GILDERDALE 11 (CD,F,G) (Abbott Racing Partners) J Hills 9-11-7	C Segner	● 99
402	(7)	008250	AKIMBO 17 (F,G) (Mrs D Weatherby) C Nelson 4-10-12	J Gillet	96
403	(1)	03-3060	JURZ 64 (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-10-7	P Grasso Capriolo	96
404	(2)	405520-	AMBASSADOR ROYALE 316 (F Salman) P Cole 3-10-0	M Armytage	88
405	(3)	145653	SUPER MORNING 11 (F,S) (J Maxwell) G Balding 5-9-7	J Rees	96
406	(6)	140300	RED RIVER BOY 144 (F,G,S) (J Mursell) R Hodges 8-9-7	M Dalcher	94
407	(5)	0/0556/	BLENDERS CHOICE 722J (C,F) (M O'Connor) J King 9-9-7	R Farrant	—

Long handicap: Red River Boy 8-10, Blenders Choice 8-3.

BETTING: 2-1 Gilderdale, 7-2 Akimbo, 4-1 Super Morning, 5-1 Jurz, 6-1 Ambassador Royale, 10-1 Red River Boy, 25-1 Blenders Choice.

1990: GILDERDALE 8-11-3 C Segner (15-8 fav) J Hills 6 ran

4.10 SOLENT GRADUATION STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,947: 7f) (4 runners)

501	(3)	51	HARMONIOUS 17 (F) (The Queen) I Balding 9-2	J Reid	97
502	(1)	3	BILATERAL 31 (K Abdulla) H Cecil 8-11	Pat Eddery	92
503	(4)	4	RIVIERA VISTA 11 (J Pearce) G Wragg 8-11	R Hills	93
504	(2)	3	DAZZLING FIRE 22 (N Browne) B Hills 8-6	M Hills	● 99

BETTING: 7-4 Bilateral, 15-8 Harmonious, 5-2 Dazzling Fire, 11-2 Riviera Vista.

1990: ALNAAB 9-7 L Dettori (5-4 fav) J Dunlop 5 ran

4.45 PILLEY GREEN HANDICAP (£4,045: 7f) (9 runners)

601	(8)	3/414-0	MOSCOW DYNAMO 8 (D,F) (J Burns) M Stoute 4-9-10	P D'Arcy	87
602	(6)	409024	SUPER BENZ 25 (D,F,G,S) (D Bramley) T Fairhurst 5-9-4	J Fanning (5)	95
603	(7)	030402	JUDGEMENT CALL 3 (F,G) (Sprint Racing Ltd) P Howling 4-9-2	W Newnes	96
604	(4)	2-00023	SPORTING SIMON 22 (CD,F,S) (Mrs N Duffield) B Millman 6-9-2	G Bardwell	96
605	(9)	020101	AMETHYSTINE 7 (D,F,G) (J Mursell) R Hodges 5-9-0	T Sprake	96
606	(5)	253221	HIGHEST PRAISE 14 (D,F,G,S) (Miss S Knight) D Morris 8-8-11	M Hills	95
607	(1)	025441	MARINE DIVER 21 (C,F,G) (Merthyr Tydfil Car Auction Ltd) B Millman 5-8-10	J Reid	● 99
608	(3)	510500	MAJOR ROGERS 7 (B,D,G) (Mrs J Murray Smith) D Murray Smith 3-8-9	A Tucker (5)	93
609	(2)	054910	AFFORDABLE 17 (D,G) (Miss M Kafaji) W Carter 3-8-9	A Cruz	91

BETTING: 7-2 Sporting Simon, 4-1 Highest Praise, 11-2 Amethystine, Super Benz, 7-1 Judgement Call, 8-1 Moscow Dynamo, 10-1 Major Rogers, Marine Diver, 12-1 Affordable.

1990: SPORTING SIMON 5-9-5 G Bardwell (10-1) B Millman 9 ran

5.15 CUCUMBER NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,655: 6f) (6 runners)

1	(3)	344112	HEATHER BANK 12 (B,CD,G,S) (Mrs G Harper) J Berry 9-7	M Hills	● 99
2	(6)	41306	DOLLAR WINE 19 (F) (N Ahamad) R Hannon 9-0	S Raymont	91
3	(4)	65153	MISS SIHAM 71 (F) (T Mattel) M Moubarak 8-11	A Cruz	88
4	(5)	213	SPELL OF THE YUKON 42 (G) (P Mellon) I Balding 8-7	J Reid	97
5	(2)	15331	SULTRY SINGER 16 (F,S) (B R B Owners Group (1990) Plc) G Balding 8-0	A McGlone	95
6	(1)	061430	MISS DOODY 12 (D,F) (V Herridge) M Channon 7-13	F Norton (5)	90

BETTING: 9-4 Heather Bank, 3-1 Spell Of The Yukon, 4-1 Sultry Singer, 11-2 Miss Siham, 6-1 Miss Doody, 7-1 Dollar Wine.

1990: RELPOUR 8-7 L Dettori (3-1) Mrs N Macauley 6 ran

NEWMARKET

MANDARIN
2.15 Kayfaat.
2.45 Perfect Circle.
3.20 Swing Low.
3.50 CARNIVAL BABY (nap).
4.20 Shafouri.
4.50 Real Stunner.
5.25 Sheroog.

THUNDERER
2.15 Millie.
2.45 Perfect Circle.
3.20 Gemini Bay.
3.50 Carnival Baby.
4.20 Shafouri.
4.50 Seamere.
5.25 Pride Of Storm.

MICHAEL SEELY
4.10 BILATERAL (nap).

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.45 PERFECT CIRCLE (nap).

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

2.15 LAGRANGE CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,915: 1m 4f) (12 runners)

1	(7)	0544	KAYFAAT 28 (Muttar Salem) B Hanbury 9-8	R Perham (5)	79
2	(9)	420	TOWER BRIDGE 47 (A Edwards) J Scargill 9-0	B Crossley	81
3	(3)	125	JENDEE 7 (Fahd Salman) P Cole 8-12	A Munro	91
4	(2)	653551	ROCK LEGEND 12 (F) (J Sheehan) M Haynes 8-12	B Raymond	77
5	(6)	0-00633	STRADBALLY MOUNT 7 (J Bull) R Akehurst 8-12	R Cochrane	74
6	(11)	500-020	MALINDI BAY 30 (Mrs J Lewis) B McMath 8-8	J Quinn	81
7	(10)	600-600	FAST RUN 61 (K Linwood) Pat Mitchell 8-5	S O'Gorman (3)	83
8	(5)	0-05013	MILLIE 25 (BF,F) (P Deal) H Candy 8-3	Antoinette Armes (7)	● 99
9	(8)	00-000	BROUGHTON'S GOLD 118 (Broughton Thermal Insulation) W Musson 8-1	J H Brown	69
10	(12)	004-600	ECONOMY EXPRESS 105 (Economy Print) W Musson 7-11	A Mackay	72
11	(1)	506536	ROYAL MARRIAGE 10 (P Warren) M Usher 7-11	C Rutter	72
12	(4)	06	SHAR EMBLEM 11 (Mrs E Blyth) C Allen 7-11	G Carter	—

BETTING: 9-4 Millie, 7-2 Jendee, 11-2 Rock Legend, 7-1 Stradbally Mount, 8-1 Kayfaat, 10-1 others.

1990: STANDING ROOM ONLY 8-0 Antoinette Armes (12-1) H Candy 10 ran

2.45 EBF PARK LODGE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,932: 6f) (16 runners)

1	(5)		BALUGA (J Thompson) G Harwood 9-0	R Cochrane	—
2	(11)		BURNING POINT (Mrs D Thompson) M Prescott 9-0	G Duffield	—
3	(3)		COURTENAY BEE (Mrs G Boyle) W Jarvis 9-0	M Tebbutt	—
4	(6)		GRANITE BOY (V Tikkoo) B Hanbury 9-0	W Ryan	—
5	(13)	0	HOPEFUL BID 44 (N Capon) R Hannon 9-0	B Raymond	—
6	(8)		IRON BARON (Mrs B Facchino) J Fanshawe 9-0	G Carter	—
7	(15)		MAJBOOR (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-0	A Munro	—
8	(2)	0	MOOR LODGE 88 (B Schmidt-Bodner) M Tompkins 9-0	N Day	—
9	(1)	0	PEERAGE PRINCE 21 (D Hobbs) Pat Mitchell 9-0	S O'Gorman (3)	—
10	(7)		QUEENSBERRY RULES (W Gredley) J Fanshawe 9-0	Paul Eddery	—
11	(9)	4	TEXAN TROOPER 18 (R Prattle) Mrs N Macauley 9-0	D Holland	—
12	(4)	6	DUBITABLE 21 (Hesmonds Stud) H Candy 8-9	C Rutter	—
13	(16)		HORIZONTALE (Mrs J Hislop) C Brittain 8-9	B Doyle (5)	—
14	(14)		MASHAAER (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-9	B Crossley	—
15	(10)		PERFECT CIRCLE (Hanson Leigh Racing) M Stoute 8-9	W R Swinburn	—
16	(12)	8	STORM DOVE 17 (K Abdulla) R Charlton 8-9	L Dettori	—

BETTING: 5-2 Perfect Circle, 5-1 Storm Dove, 6-1 Iron Baron, 7-1 Baluga, 8-1 Majboor, 10-1 Mashaaer, 12-1 others.

1990: FENNEL 8-9 Paul Eddery (4-5 fav) M Stoute 9 ran

3.20 PHILIP CORNES NICKEL ALLOYS NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £18,437: 6f) (11 runners) C4

1	(5)	6111	SWING LOW 21 (CD,G,S) (D Gallop) R Hannon 9-7	R Perham (5)	90
2	(2)	10	SASPARELLA 66 (F) (T Blackwell) W Jarvis 8-10	L Dettori	80
3	(9)	631122	FYLDE FLYER 8 (BF,D,F,G,S) (Blackpool Gazette & Herald) J Berry 8-9	G Carter	95
4	(7)	112312	WALK IN THE PARK 11 (D,G,S) (M Lewin) R Simpson 8-8	J Williams	95
5	(11)	000111	GEMINI BAY 12 (B,D,F,G) (N Castleton) R Voorspuy 8-6	S Dawson	● 99
6	(1)	241	MARTANDA LIGHT 28 (B,D,F) (R Tikkoo) B Hanbury 8-6	B Raymond	89
7	(8)	221131	WILD HONOUR 11 (D,F,G) (Mrs C Haim) W Muir 8-7	S Whitworth	88
8	(6)	12	EVER SO LONELY 7 (F) (Mrs J Davis) A Bailey 8-6	A Munro	91
9	(4)	04111	BAILEYS BY NAME 7 (D,F) (Baileys Horse Feeds) M Johnston 7-11	J Lowe	92
10	(10)	44622	RIBBONAIRE 7 (I Lochhead) M Tompkins 7-7	A Mackay	88
11	(3)	401352	MISTER BANDIT 17 (BF,G) (F Kalla) N Callaghan 7-7	A Garth (7)	92

Long handicap: Ribbonaire 7-4, Mister Bandit 7-2.

BETTING: 11-2 Swing Low, 7-1 Walk In The Park, 8-1 Baileys By Name, Fylde Flyer, Sasparella, 10-1 others.

1990: DANZARIN 8-5 B Rouse (16-1) R Hannon 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

SWING LOW beat FYLDE FLYER (5lb better off) 3l over course and distance (good). SASPARELLA never-dangerous 7th to Marling in group III Queen Mary Stakes at Ascot (5f, good). Previously, beat Red Verona 5l in a maiden at Nottingham (5f, good to firm). FYLDE FLYER beat Jubal Early 2½l at Hamilton (6f 5yd, good). GEMINI BAY beat Heather Bank 6l at Windsor (6f, good to firm). MARTANDA LIGHT beat Eton Lodger 2l in a maiden at Newcastle (6f, good to firm). WILD HONOUR beat WALK IN THE PARK (6lb better off) ½l at Bath (5f 161yd, firm). EVER SO LONELY neck 2nd to Red Ruffian at Wolverhampton (5f, good to firm). BAILEYS BY NAME beat RIBBONAIRE (7lb better off) ½l at Ripon (6f, good to firm). MISTER BANDIT 2l 2nd to Sir Vaild at Brighton (5f 59yd, good to firm).
Selection: SASPARELLA

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
J Fanshawe	3	13	23.1	R Perham	5	13	38.5
M Stoute	54	272	19.9	R Cochrane	55	409	13.4
M Prescott	8	43	18.6	W R Swinburn	51	390	13.1
M Naughton	6	33	18.2	L Newton	3	23	13.0
L Cumani	53	300	17.7	L Dettori	30	237	12.7
R Charlton	3	22	13.6	A Munro	13	118	11.0

(Not including yesterday's results)

3.50 DANEPAK BACON HANDICAP (£15,270: 1m 2f) (10 runners) C4

1	(8)	21-4541	LIVING IMAGE 14 (D,F,S) (H Joel) W Jarvis 3-9-10	M Tebbutt	95
2	(5)	2-22640	ROSEATE LODGE 66 (F,G) (Wharf Racing) R Armstrong 5-9-5	B Crossley	97
3	(4)	65-3111	CARNIVAL BABY 59 (D,F,S) (J Mabee) M Stoute 3-9-4	Paul Eddery	94
4	(1)	021-620	BOTTLES 24 (D,F,G) (Victoria Hotel & Lowestoft) J Banks 4-9-4	L Newton (5)	97
5	(2)	5212	GENERAL SIKORSKI 21 (BF,D,F) (R Kelly) P Makin 3-9-4	W R Swinburn	95
6	(10)	553036	DISSONANT 28 (G) (Lord Howard de Walden) Mrs J Cecil 5-9-2	B Raymond	● 99
7	(6)	22-601	CRYSTAL RING 14 (F) (P Mellon) I Balding 3-8-8	R Cochrane	96
8	(7)	401412	PELENG 35 (P Evans (London)) P Kelleway 3-8-1	A Munro	95
9	(9)	0-46155	HAJAIM 26 (F,S) (Saeed Manana) C Brittain 3-8-1	B Doyle (5)	96
10	(3)	331142	JUBRAN 14 (G) (Mrs E Scullion) M Naughton 5-7-13	D Holland	98

BETTING: 9-2 Carnival Baby, 5-1 Crystal Ring, Jubran, 11-2 General Sikorski, 6-1 Hajaim, 8-1 Roseate Lodge, 12-1 Dissonant, Living Image, 14-1 Bottles, Peleng.

1990: AL ANBA 3-7-5 L Newton (10-1) G Huffer 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

LIVING IMAGE beat Bushy Tailed 1l at Redcar (1m 2f, good to firm). ROSEATE LODGE 9½l 9th to Eurolink The Lad in the Royal Hunt Cup at Royal Ascot (1m, good), with DISSONANT (2lb better off) towards rear. Previously, 1½l 4th to Fenmore in a valuable handicap at Sandown (1m, good).
CARNIVAL BABY beat City Solace 4l at Salisbury (1m 1f 209yd, good to soft). Previously, beat Urray On Harry 3½l at Ripon (1m, good to soft), with JUBRAN (6lb better off) ¾l 3rd. BOTTLES ½l 2nd to Try Trust at Lingfield (1m 3f 106yd, good to firm) on penultimate start. GENERAL SIKORSKI 2½l 2nd to Flown at Goodwood (1m 4f, good to firm).
CRYSTAL RING beat Raheen a neck at Haydock (1m, good to firm). PELENG 2l 2nd to Amigos (pair clear) at Lingfield (AW, 1m 2f, standard). HAJAIM 4½l 5th to Daswaki at Goodwood (1m, good to firm). JUBRAN neck 2nd to Dreams End over course and distance (good).
Selection: CARNIVAL BABY

4.20 PEOPLE-SPORTING LIFE CHAMPIONSHIP THREE-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP (£5,617: 7f) (11 runners) C4

1	(3)	401223	PAY HOMAGE 12 (BF,D,F) (Miss A Hill) I Balding 9-7	R Cochrane	94
2	(10)	0-82030	TOO CONSPICUOUS 14 (F) (F Kalla) N Callaghan 9-2	B Raymond	97
3	(6)	500500	ARTURIAN 8 (B,C,G) (G Stewart) R Johnson Houghton 8-13	A Clark	● 99
4	(11)	041-330	SMILING SUN 44 (G) (S Fustok) W O'Gorman 8-12	Emma O'Gorman (5)	91
5	(2)	102002	SHAFOURI 26 (D,F) (Ali K Al Jafleh) Mrs L Piggott 8-9	A Munro	93
6	(5)	41-0	SOUK 36 (D,F) (Fittocks Stud Ltd) L Cumani 8-7	L Dettori	89
7	(1)	4-00200	FAR PAVILION 38 (BF,G) (Mrs C Heath) R Charlton 8-4	Paul Eddery	95
8	(8)	300-000	FALCON'S DOMAIN 7 (F) (R Carstairs) J Eustace 8-3	W Ryan	89
9	(7)	0451	MY NOMINEE 36 (D,F) (R Chadwick) S Kettlewell 7-10	D Holland	90
10	(9)	603230	THE CUCKOO'S NEST 23 (D,S) (Kings Bloodstock Ltd) C Brittain 7-7	B Doyle (5)	94
11	(4)	0-40036	CARNBREA CUDDY 38 (BF,D,F) (Mrs S Crompton) J Scargill 7-7	B Crossley	88

Long handicap: Carnbrea Cuddy 7-4.

BETTING: 4-1 Shafouri, 5-1 Far Pavilion, Pay Homage, 7-1 Arturian, 8-1 My Nominee, Smiling Sun, 10-1 others.

1990: KING AL 9-7 B Raymond (9-1) J Scargill 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

PAY HOMAGE 6½l 3rd to Greens Ferneley at Windsor (1m, good to firm). TOO CONSPICUOUS 5l 3rd to Venus Observed over 1m (good), here, on penultimate start. ARTURIAN 7l 7th to Claret at Newbury (1m 7yd, good to firm).
SHAFOURI 2½l 2nd to High Premium at Newcastle (7f, good to firm). FAR PAVILION's best recent effort was when 3½l 2nd to Dream Carrier at Sandown (7f, good). MY NOMINEE was awarded the race after finishing ½l 2nd to The Dawn Trader at Thirsk (6f 216yd, good to firm). THE CUCKOO'S NEST neck and short-head 3rd to Blue Aeroplane at Sandown (7f, good to soft) on penultimate start, with SHAFOURI 5½l 9th.
Selection: TOO CONSPICUOUS

4.50 LADBROKES AID HANDICAP (£7,440: 5f) (11 runners) C4

1	(6)	540101	CANTORIS 14 (D,F,G) (G Crean) R Williams 5-10-0	D Holland	94
2	(2)	4-00600	OUR FREDDIE 14 (HB,D,F,G,S) (T Mills Ltd) W Carter 7-9-12	L Newton (5)	97
3	(1)	151030	SINGING STAR 14 (D,F) (Five Star Racing) J Balding 5-9-8	G Duffield	93
4	(11)	124014	DOMINUET 51 (D,G,S) (Mrs R Heathcote) J Spearing 6-9-5	R Fox	97
5	(7)	24-1060	SO RHYTHMICAL 39 (D,F,G,S) (Miss C Barrow) G Eden 7-9-4	J Quinn	92
6	(3)	4-00111	SEAMERE 9 (B,D,F,G) (B Cambidge) B Cambidge 8-9-0	J Lowe	93
7	(9)	10-0400	CHILIBOY 26 (B,D,F) (Mrs H Heinz) J Dunlop 4-8-13	W R Swinburn	93
8	(10)	215052	REAL STUNNER 9 (D,F) (P Davies) M Naughton 4-8-12	G Hind	93
9	(5)	002000	TAUBER 7 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs C Reed) Pat Mitchell 7-8-11	S O'Gorman (3)	● 99
10	(4)	101340	ABU HANIFAH 24 (CD,G,S) (K Al-Said) N Callaghan 3-8-10	B Raymond	91
11	(8)	400604	PENDOR DANCER 21 (B,D,F,G) (Sherwoods Transport Ltd) W Carter 8-7-7	N Carlisle	83

Long handicap: Pendor Dancer 7-1.

BETTING: 5-1 Cantoris, 11-2 Real Stunner, 6-1 Seamere, Singing Star, 7-1 Dominuet, 8-1 So Rhythmical, 10-1 Pendor Dancer, 12-1 Abu Hanifah, Tauber, 14-1 Chiliboy, Our Freddie.

1990: YAAZI 3-8-8 M Roberts (13-2) A Stewart 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

CANTORIS beat Croft Imperial a short head at Haydock (5f, good to firm), with a below-par SINGING STAR 7l 10th and OUR FREDDIE 12th. SINGING STAR had trouble in running when 2l 3rd to Absolution at Newcastle (5f, firm). DOMINUET 4l 4th to Gemini Fire at Haydock (5f, good), with SO RHYTHMICAL (7lb better off) 1½l 5th.
SEAMERE beat REAL STUNNER (2lb better off) ½l at Beverley (5f, firm). Previously, beat Le Chic a short head at Wolverhampton (5f, good to firm), with CHILIBOY a well-beaten last of 9. TAUBER showed best recent form when a neck 2nd to Ski Captain at Lingfield (5f, good to firm), with PENDOR DANCER 6l 7th. Reserves his best for that track. ABU HANIFAH put up best effort to date when beating Zandril head over course and distance (good). PENDOR DANCER 1l 4th to Castle Cary at Windsor (5f 10yd, good).
Selection: SINGING STAR

5.25 STANLEY HOUSE MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,817: 1m) (10 runners)

1	(5)	540-	ANDRATH 364 (Lady Beaverbrook) C Brittain 9-0	B Doyle (5)	● 99
2	(2)	05-	MOUFAJAH 371 (Abdullah Ali) B Hanbury 9-0	B Raymond	77
3	(8)		PRIDE OF STORM (J Mabee) L Cumani 9-0	D Holland	—
4	(4)	235	SHALEEL 101 (BF) (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-0	R Cochrane	97
5	(6)	06	VIRKON VENTURE 10 (Mrs J Auchincloss) M Tompkins 9-0	S Mulvey (7)	76
6	(7)	6344	DASHING APRIL 17 (Mrs J Capp) D Thom 8-9	J Williams	83
7	(10)		DULCEATA (Mrs B Long) John FitzGerald 8-9	G Duffield	—
8	(1)		HALOOB (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-9	B Crossley	—
9	(9)	00	PARFUM D'AUTOMNE 60 (Mrs M Clark) W Haggas 8-9	N Day	71
10	(3)	0022	SHEROOG 31 (BF) (Sheikh Ahmed Al-Maktoum) M Jarvis 8-9	W R Swinburn	95

BETTING: 2-1 Shaleel, 9-4 Pride Of Storm, 5-1 Sheroog, 8-1 Andrath, 10-1 Haloob, 12-1 Moufajah, 16-1 others.

1990: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

NEWCASTLE

MANDARIN
2.15 Splice. 2.50 Professional. 3.25 Able Lassie. 4.00 Head Turner. 4.30 High Premium. 5.00 Niklas Angel.

THUNDERER
2.15 Splice. 2.50 Professional. 3.25 Daisy Girl. 4.00 Stairway To Heaven. 4.30 Green Turban. 5.00 Euroblake.

Michael Seely: 3.25 Sybillin. 4.30 High Premium.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (WATERING) SIS
DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

2.15 ARMADA NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £5,385: 5f) (7 runners)

1	1212	SUPER ROCKY 11 (D,BF,F) J Berry 9-7	J Carroll 4
2	2305	INTREPID FORT 21 (B) B Murray 8-11	Dean McKeown 7
3	421	SPLICE 10 (D,F) J Fanshawe 8-6	David Eddery 2
4	0002	SONDERISE 16 N Tinkler 8-3	Kim Tinkler 6
5	1233	JUST BOB 8 (D,F) S Kettlewell 8-3	S Webster 3
6	2041	MUSICAL CASCADE 22 (B,D,F) T Barron 8-1	— 1
7	2302	NEVER LATE 9 (B) M H Easterby 8-1	K Darley 5

5-2 Super Rocky, 7-2 Splice, 5-1 Sonderise, 6-1 Just Bob, 7-1 Musical Cascade, 8-1 Never Late, 12-1 Intrepid Fort.

2.50 NEWGATE MAIDEN STAKES (£2,490: 1m 4f 93yd) (6)

1	2	BRODESSA 73 Mrs G Reveley 5-9-7	D Lees (7) 4
2	55	POLISHING 8 Mrs P Barker 4-9-7	S Webster 2
3	03P	AXIOPREPIS 14 P Calver 3-8-11	J Carroll 1
4	062	COUNT BARACHOIS 16 M Jarvis 3-8-11	M Birch 5
5	02	PROFESSIONAL 43 B Hills 3-8-11	Dean McKeown 3
6	56	NIMIEZA 60 M Stoute 3-8-6	K Darley 6

10-11 Professional, 3-1 Nimieza, 9-2 Count Barachois, 7-1 Brodessa, 16-1 Polishing, 20-1 Axioprepis.

3.25 THOMAS LONSDALE GALLAGHER HANDICAP (£3,947: 1m 2f 32yd) (13)

1	1121	ABLE LASSIE 14 (G,S) Mrs G Reveley 3-10-0	D Lees (7) 13
2	1354	PERU 14 (F) J Watts 3-9-11	D McKeown 12
3	2003	CHORAL SUNDOWN 18 (D,F,G) B Murray 5-9-9	K Darley 4
4	-204	DAISY GIRL 25 (D,F,G) J Mackie 5-9-8	S D Williams (7) 5
5	/210	SYBILLIN 14 (D,F) Jimmy Fitzgerald 5-9-8	M Birch 8
6	4621	TOUCH ABOVE 10 (D,F) T Barron 5-9-7	Alex Greaves 3
7	5340	GOLDEN TORQUE 18 (C,F,G,S) R Bastiman 4-9-7	H Bastiman (7) 2
8	0066	KING OF CHANCE 17 Mrs J Ramsden 3-9-1	J Weaver (7) 7
9	5522	FIRST BID 10 R Whitaker 4-8-12	A Culhane 1
10	-444	K-BRIGADE 47 (CD,BF,F,G,S) W Elsey 6-8-11	K Fallon 11
11	3042	SHARQUIN 7 (D,F,G) M Brittain 4-8-10	S Maloney (5) 8
12	-060	PASSAGE HOME 99 (B) W Elsey 4-8-5	J Carroll 10
13	0334	OWT ON 8 (C,F) M W Easterby 4-8-5	L Charnock 9

4-1 Able Lassie, 5-1 King Of Chance, 6-1 Touch Above, 7-1 Choral Sundown, 8-1 Sybillin, 10-1 Peru, Daisy Girl, 12-1 others.

4.00 GALLOWGATE CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,511: 1m) (13)

1	1004	GOLDEN CHIP 7 (G) A Stringer 8-12	Dean McKeown 13
2	4361	STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN 12 (B,D,F,S) T Barron 8-8	V Halliday (7) 3
3	1250	LAUREL QUEEN 35 (D,F,G) J Berry 8-7	J Carroll 4
4	-003	MISTY GODDESS 11 (F) M Jarvis 8-7	M Birch 8
5	-434	SLY PROSPECT 36 (B) J Etherington 8-7	K Darley 6
6	0	TINDARI 39 J Jefferson 8-6	M Wood 11
7	-300	CHLOES DIAMOND 14 C Booth 8-4	A Culhane 5
8	40-2	HEAD TURNER 14 M Channon 8-4	K Fallon 2
9	5060	RAVENHURST 25 T Fairhurst 8-4	N Kennedy (5) 9
10	3200	CLASSIC RING 22 (F) J Charlton 8-2	Jane Findlay 10
11		PRODIGAL MISS W Brisbourne 8-1	R Lappin 1
12	004-	SULA 414 T Barron 7-13	S Wood 7
13	4045	ADELPHI PRINCESS 18 (V) J Watts 7-12	L Charnock 12

7-2 Stairway To Heaven, 9-2 Laurel Queen, 5-1 Sly Prospect, 6-1 Adelphi Princess, 7-1 Chloes Diamond, 8-1 Misty Goddess

4.30 WIDE OPEN HANDICAP (£7,375: 1m) (8)

1	1106	ST NINIAN 14 (D,F,G,S) M H Easterby 5-10-0	K Darley 4
2	0101	GREEN TURBAN 28 (CD,F,G) B Hills 3-9-1	Dean McKeown 8
3	3920	GYMCRAK PREMIERE 22 (D,F,G) M H Easterby 3-9-0	M Birch 5
4	3021	GABBIADINI 15 (V,D,F) M Tompkins 4-8-7	C Hodgson (5) 2
5	3615	CASHTAL DAZZLER 14 (C,D,F,S) J Berry 4-8-1	J Carroll 7
6	1302	CROFT VALLEY 18 (F) (D) R Whitaker 4-8-0	— 3
7	5114	HIGH PREMIUM 3 (C,F,G) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-0	R Lappin 1
8	4403	GENAIR 14 (B,CD,F) G Moore 6-7-7	N Kennedy (5) 6

7-2 High Premium, 4-1 Green Turban, 9-2 Gabbiadini, 11-2 Gymcrack Premiere, 7-1 Croft Valley, 8-1 St Ninian, 10-1 others

5.00 ACOMB APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,868: 1m) (15)

1	4133	SPANISH VERDICT 9 (D,F) Denys Smith 4-9-10	G Forster (3) 12
2	-066	FAMILY AT WAR 30 (F) J Etherington 3-9-10	O Pears (5) 4
3	6231	NIKLAS ANGEL 17 (V,D,F,G,S) M Tompkins 5-9-4	C Hodgson 7
4	2266	EUROBLAKE 14 (CD,BF,F) T Barron 4-9-3	V Halliday (5) 13
5	0040	STAMFORD BRIDGE 19 (F) M Brittain 3-9-3	D Wright (7) 14
6	0640	DALEY BRIOCHE 19 (S) P Haslam 3-8-2	Nicola Howarth (5) 6
7	0-05	SKOLERN 18 (F,G) A Harrison 7-8-12	K Rutter (3) 11
8	5611	CHARLY PHARLY 8 (B,D,F,S) F Lee 4-8-11	N Kennedy 8
9	1300	SEA PADDY 14 (F) R Bastiman 3-8-6	H Bastiman (5) 3
10	0063	COLONEL FAIRFAX 33 J Watts 3-8-2	C Husband (7) 1
11	0230	UNASSUMING 16 (D,F,S) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-2	J Weaver (5) 10
12	0045	NOT YET 8 (CD,F,G) E Weymes 7-8-0	T Wilson (5) 9
13	0000	TOPEKA EXPRESS 7J (V,D,F) C Tinkler 8-8-0	G Parkin (5) 2
14	006-	EARTHLY PLEASURE 410 W Brisbourne 5-7-7	— 5
15	3000	BATON BOY 9 (C,D,G) J Wainwright 10-7-7	M Hunt (7) 15

3-1 Charly Pharly, 9-2 Niklas Angel, 6-1 Spanish Verdict, 7-1 Euroblake, 8-1 Not Yet, 10-1 Colonel Fairfax, 12-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: B Hills, 12 winners from 36 runners, 33.3%; M Stoute, 10 from 36, 27.8%; J Berry, 19 from 97, 19.6%; M Tompkins, 3 from 17, 17.6%; Mrs J Ramsden, 9 from 57, 15.8%; M H Easterby, 20 from 137, 14.6%.

JOCKEYS: M Birch, 30 winners from 169 rides, 17.8%; J Carroll, 15 from 91, 16.5%; Dean McKeown, 15 from 116, 12.9%; K Darley, 11 from 101, 10.9%; K Fallon, 7 from 70, 10.0%; A Culhane, 5 from 50, 10.0%.

WINDSOR

MANDARIN
5.20 Kevinsbelle. 5.45 Ebraaz. 6.10 Milagro. 6.40 Circus Light. 7.10 Magical Veil. 7.40 Cadency.

THUNDERER
5.20 In The Mood. 5.45 Storm Ring. 6.10 Battle Of Britain. 6.40 Ijtihaad. 7.10 Ktolo. 7.40 Cadency.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (STRAIGHT GOOD)
DRAW: 5F 217YD, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

5.20 BRADFIELD SELLING STAKES (£2,670: 1m 67yd) (16 runners)

1	-000	EMPEROR CHANG 77 (B,G) B McMahon 4-9-0	G Baxter 11
2	0050	TRUE OPTIMIST 11 Lord Huntingdon 4-8-8	Pat Eddery 10
3	0030	KEVINSBELLE 11 (BF,F) J Pearce 3-8-3	D Biggs (5) 16
4	0	ACROSS THE CARD 25 A Moore 3-8-2	Candy Morris 5
5	0000	BULLET PROOF 109 (V) P Howling 3-8-2	J Fortune 9
6	4030	STARCHYS IMAGE 10 B Palling 3-8-2	N Adams 8
7	0-06	WALLED GARDEN 51 A Moore 3-8-2	B Rouse 1
8	0-00	CORREZE 17 P Howling 3-7-11	R Price (5) 13
9	0-40	CURULOCKS 26 Mrs S Waring 3-7-11	C Rutter 15
10	00	DIAMOND JILL 28 T Hallett 3-7-11	D Gibbs (7) 3
11	0046	HUBBERS FAVOURITE 14 E Eldin 3-7-11	A Mackay 2
12	0350	IN THE MOOD 11 M Fetherston-Godley 3-7-11	D Harrison (7) 12
13	0-0	KUWAIT SUNSET 11 M Bolton 3-7-11	Antoinette Armes (7) 6
14	0362	MISS BURFIELD 33 R Hannon 3-7-11	T Williams 14
15	0006	RAPID ROSIE 31 P Hayward 3-7-11	Dana Mellor 7
16	0005	TRUE TO KEEP 14 (B) J Bethell 3-7-11	S Dawson 4

4-1 Miss Burfield, 5-1 True Optimist, 6-1 In The Mood, Kevinsbelle, 8-1 Starchys Image, 10-1 Hubbers Favourite, 12-1 others

5.45 SENIORS STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,101: 5f 217yd) (12)

1	3	AMERICAN EAGLE 18 B McMahon 8-11	J Fortune 3
2		ART CRITIC R Hannon 8-11	R Perham (5) 8
3	02	COMMANCHE DANCER 23 W O'Gorman 8-11	Pat Eddery 10
4	51	EBRAAZ 26 (C,G) W Hern 8-11	W Carson 5
5	1666	MAESTROSO 12 (CD,G) R Johnson Houghton 8-11	Paul Eddery 11
6	52	NIGALS FRIEND 49 D Haydn Jones 8-11	M Wigham 7
7	0	SALAZAR 133 W Muir 8-11	S Whitworth 12
8		TOM'S APACHE W Williams 8-11	A Forte 6
9	1	TROVE 15 (F) Mrs N Macauley 8-11	G Carter 4
10	10	ARCTIC APPEAL 66 (F) J Berry 8-6	A Munro 9
11	2	RED VERONA 85 E Wheeler 8-6	S Dawson 2
12	13	STORM RING 26 (D,F) L Cumani 8-6	L Dettori 1

6-4 Storm Ring, 7-2 Commanche Dancer, 4-1 Commanche Dancer, 6-1 Trove, 10-1 Maestroso, Arctic Appeal, 12-1 Art Critic, 14-1 others.

6.10 STAR AND GARTER NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £2,978: 5f 217yd) (6)

1	1525	MOTOVSKI 57 (F) R Johnson Houghton 9-7	Pat Eddery 2
2	0253	MILAGRO 8 R Hannon 9-2	R Perham (5) 3
3	4123	BATTLE OF BRITAIN 42 (BF) J Berry 8-13	A Munro 6
4	002	MONOROSE 11 D Haydn Jones 8-11	M Wigham 1
5	020	GOLDEN PROPOSAL 63 M Bell 8-0	A Mackay 5
6	6030	JACK HILL 12 W Carter 7-7	T Williams 4

2-1 Milagro, 3-1 Battle Of Britain, 9-2 Jack Hill, 6-1 Motovski, 7-1 Monorose, 12-1 Golden Proposal

6.40 WINTER HILL STAKES (Listed race: £9,171: 1m 2f 7yd) (8)

1	5114	LIFEWATCH VISION 7 (F,G) M Johnston 4-9-7	T Quinn 6
2	5-45	FILIA ARDROSS 21 (V,G,S) A Stewart 5-9-5	R Hills 8
3	1030	GRAF 134 (F,G) Mrs L Piggott 4-9-4	A Munro 7
4	0011	IJTIHAAD 21 (D,F,G) W Hern 4-9-4	W Carson 2
5	2013	LORD CHARMER 14 (D,F,G) J Gosden 4-9-4	L Dettori 4
6	0125	FIRE TOP 21 (D,F,G) R Akehurst 6-9-0	M Hills 3
7	1444	NAYLAND 14 (D,F) G Wragg 5-9-0	G Carter 5
8	2611	CIRCUS LIGHT 56 (CD,F,G) J Dunlop 3-8-10	Pat Eddery 1

11-4 Lord Charmer, 7-2 Ijtihaad, 4-1 Circus Light, 5-1 Fire Top, 7-1 Nayland, 8-1 Lifewatch Vision, 10-1 Filia Ardross, 14-1 Graf

7.10 HARPOON LOUIE'S HANDICAP (£3,174: 1m 3f 135yd) (10)

1	0114	DUKE OF MONMOUTH 10 (CD,F,G) G Harwood 3-9-13	A Clark 5
2	0451	SIJJAAL 18 (F) W Hern 3-9-10	W Carson 8
3	0410	MAHRAJAN 33 (C,F,G,S) C Benstead 7-9-9	T Quinn 3
4	3216	TAJ VICTORY 156 (G) Lord Huntingdon 4-9-8	Dale Gibson 9
5	0-30	KTOLO 12 (BF,F,S) R Akehurst 5-9-3	J Reid 1
6	3145	BALLERINA BAY 14 (D,G) D Thom 3-9-2	Paul Eddery 7
7	-022	MAGICAL VEIL 28 (V) M Stoute 3-9-1	Pat Eddery 10
8	5005	CAROLE'S KING 7 (V,F) W Carter 3-8-10	A Munro 6
9	0366	INCOLA 10 (D,F,G) H Candy 5-8-2	C Rutter 4
10	/50	LE SAINT GERAN 65 H Collingridge 5-7-8	C Hawksley (7) 2

7-2 Magical Veil, 9-2 Sijaal, 5-1 Ktolo, 6-1 Carole's King, 7-1 Duke Of Monmouth, 8-1 Ballerina Bay, 10-1 Taj Victory, 12-1 others

7.40 RED SPINNERS GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,880: 1m 3f 135yd) (7)

1	3541	GIVENTIME 18 (F) A Turnell 9-4	J Reid 4
2		AMPHIGORY Lord Huntingdon 8-11	L Dettori 6
3	5054	BRIGHT SEA 17 W Williams 8-11	Paul Eddery 7
4	4-04	CADENCY 103 (G) P Walwyn 8-11	Pat Eddery 2
5	00	THE ALIEN 21 W Carter 8-11	T Williams 5
6	0	USHAK 68 H Candy 8-11	C Rutter 1
7		HYMNE D'AMOUR Miss H Knight 8-6	A Tucker (5) 3

7-4 Cadency, 4-1 Giventime, 5-1 Amphigory, 7-1 The Alien, Ushak, 12-1 Bright Sea, 16-1 Hymne D'Amour

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: L Cumani, 12 winners from 35 runners, 34.3%; G Harwood, 11 from 36, 30.6%; J Berry, 9 from 37, 24.3%; A Stewart, 6 from 31, 19.4%; M Stoute, 9 from 47, 19.1%; J Gosden, 3 from 17, 17.6%.

JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery, 52 winners from 227 rides, 22.9%; L Dettori, 12 from 58, 20.7%; D Biggs, 3 from 22, 13.6%; J Reid, 18 from 142, 12.7%; W Carson, 22 from 184, 12.0%; T Quinn, 18 from 153, 11.8%

HEREFORD

MANDARIN
2.00 Welsh Siren. 2.30 Givemeacall. 3.00 Market Leader. 3.30 Mo Ichi Do. 4.00 Avonmouthsecretary. *4.30 Lustreman.*

THUNDERER
2.00 Welsh Siren. 2.30 Givemeacall. 3.00 Smooth Start. 3.30 Brave Setanta. 4.00 Bogazkoy. 4.30 Sequestrator.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

2.00 MUCH MARCLE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,292: 2m 3f) (6 runners)

1	040-	THE LIDGATE STAR 84 M Tate 8-10-13	W Marston (7)
2	00-6	MERANDI SPECIAL 19 J Thomas 4-10-10	Mr A Farrant (7)
3		FLIMSY FORTUNE C Smith 7-10-8	D Bridgwater (5)
4	PP-	MISS SIMONE 140 (B) N Twiston-Davies 5-10-8	C Llewellyn
5	2	WELSH SIREN 14 K Bailey 5-10-8	A Tory
6	P-	THE CHOODLER 287 P Hobbs 4-10-5	Peter Hobbs

1-3 Welsh Siren, 4-1 The Choodler, 7-1 The Lidgate Star, 8-1 Merandi Special, 16-1 Flimsy Fortune, 25-1 Miss Simone

2.30 *HOARWITHY NOVICES SELLING* HURDLE (£1,696: 2m) (12)

1	PPP-	AARON'S ROD 16F (B) F Yardley 5-11-8	Martin Jones (3)
2		CONYGAR PARK 91F J Elliott 4-11-8	R Guest
3	00-5	JUST GREAT 11 (B) R Juckes 5-11-8	T Wall
4		STERLING BUCK 40F M Usher 4-11-8	M Bowlby
5	000-	WILD DANCER 145 J Thomas 4-11-8	D Tegg
6	0-	CLAYSUUMAR 69 Miss C Caroe 4-11-3	A Stanford
7	044-	YANKEE SPARKLE 7F B Cambidge 4-11-3	D Bridgwater (5)
8	1	SANDHURST TYPE 17 (F) A Chamberlain 3-10-6	Lorna Vincent
9	2	GIVEMEACALL 8 N Tinkler 3-10-5	R Dunwoody
10	0	GRECIAN REBEL 12 Grenville Richards 3-10-5	B Powell
11		SHIRGEHALL 7F P Bevan 3-10-5	N Mann
12	2	SWEEP ALONG 15 A Forbes 3-10-0	S Davies (3)

5-2 Givemeacall, 7-2 Sandhurst Type, 5-1 Sweep Along, 7-1 others

3.00 MALVERN LINK HANDICAP CHASE (£2,684: 2m 3f) (4)

1	31-2	MARKET LEADER 21 (CD,F,G) R Lee 11-12-0	J Shortt
2	15-1	TONY MURPHYS MAN 12 (F,G) J Upson 6-11-0	R Dunwoody
3	P3-1	SMOOTH START 14 (F) A James 6-10-3	E Tierney (7)
4	UP5-	LITTLE BEAVER 89 (CD,F) Mrs A Barclay 10-10-0	M Lynch

5-4 Tony Murphys Man, 7-4 Market Leader, 3-1 Smooth Start, 16-1 Little Beaver

3.30 BORDER HANDICAP HURDLE (Amateurs: £1,898: 3m 1f) (10)

1	P-	ID'S GAMBLE 154 Grenville Richards 4-11-10	G Lewis (7)
2	4-45	MIRAGE DANCER 15 (F) Miss C Caroe 8-11-10	J Beardsall (7)
3	60-5	SLIP UP 14 (CD,F) F Gray 11-11-5	A Farrant (7)
4	35-2	BRAVE SETANTA 15 F O'Mahony 6-11-5	K Comerford (7)
5	F6P-	MO ICHI DO 10F (B,F) Miss S Wilton 5-10-11	T Eley (7)
6	F0-5	SHIFNAL 15 (C,F) A James 6-10-9	S Lyons (7)
7	/0/	NETHERBRIDGE 465 (F,G,S) D Gandolfo 13-10-8	R Griffiths (7)
8	PF-F	RED OXON 12 (F) P Hobbs 9-10-6	R Davis (7)
9	060-	THE BRICHIN 98 (F) Mrs P Joynes 10-10-5	S Joynes (7)
10	P-6P	CAVALCANTI 7 P Blockley 5-10-3	K Green (7)

9-4 Mo Ichi Do, 7-2 Shifnal, 4-1 Brave Setanta, 6-1 Slip Up, 8-1 Mirage Dancer, 10-1 Netherbridge, The Brichin, 14-1 others

4.00 ACONBURY NOVICES CHASE (£2,359: 3m 1f) (6)

1	/2	BOGAZKOY 14 (F,S) C Holmes 9-11-3	R Stronge
2	35-4	PLAGUE O' RATS 17 (F) R Frost 7-11-3	J Frost
3	/6-4	SLANEY PRINCE 22 (G,S) P Blockley 11-11-3	K Green (7)
4	/0/	CAROLINE RANGER 537 P Hobbs 10-10-12	Peter Hobbs
5	46-F	CROSSOFSPANCILHILL 14 (F) C Trietline 5-10-12	B Powell
6	06-F	AVONMOUTHSECRETARY 17 (F) R Holder 5-10-7	N Mann

5-4 Plague O' Rats, 3-1 Avonmouthsecretary, 7-2 Crossofspancilhill, 5-1 Slaney Prince, 7-1 others

4.30 CHERRY NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,632: 2m) (7)

1	2-15	WINDSOR PARK 14 (D,F) K Bridgwater 5-12-0	V Slattery (7)
2	0251	SEQUESTRATOR 7 (D,F) P Evans 6-10-11	T Wall
3	300-	LUSTREMAN 7F M Channon 4-10-9	Lorna Vincent
4	60P-	GREENHILLS WARRIOR 161 M Ryan 5-10-7	J Ryan (5)
5	F/0	TILSTONE LODGE 21 R Frost 6-10-0	B Powell
6	65-F	PALM SWIFT 9F A Chamberlain 5-10-0	R Dunwoody
7	PP6-	BURFORD 17F D R Tucker 4-10-0	W McFarland

Evens Sequestrator, 15-8 Lustreman, 13-2 Windsor Park, 8-1 Greenhills Warrior, 20-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: K Bailey, 7 winners from 44 runners, 15.9%; C Trietline, 4 from 26, 15.4%; Miss S Wilton, 3 from 20, 15.0%; R Frost, 3 from 21, 14.3%; R Holder, 6 from 45, 13.3%.

JOCKEYS: Mr A Farrant, 4 winners from 10 rides, 40.0%; M Bowlby, 4 from 15, 26.7%; R Dunwoody, 20 from 82, 24.4%; J Frost, 5 from 25, 20.0%; E Tierney, 3 from 16, 18.8%; A Tory, 3 from 16, 18.8%

Racing next week

MONDAY: Sandown Park, Ripon, Newcastle, Chepstow, Warwick, Wolverhampton, Cartmel, Huntingdon, Southwell, Newton Abbot, *Plumpton*. TUESDAY: *Ripon*, Newton Abbot. WEDNEDAY: Brighton, Redcar, Newton Abbot THURSDAY: Lingfield Park, Worcester FRIDAY: Sandown Park, Chester, Thirsk SATURDAY: Sandown Park, Chester, Ripon, Hereford.

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GOLF

Torrance is close to realising his Ryder Cup dream

From Mitchell Platts
GOLF CORRESPONDENT
DÜSSELDORF

Card of the course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	415	4	10	369	4
2	435	4	11	221	3
3	359	4	12	479	5
4	137	3	13	388	4
5	315	4	14	207	3
6	562	5	15	427	4
7	209	3	16	384	4
8	492	5	17	572	5
9	400	4	18	411	4
Out	3,324	36	In	3,456	36
Total yardage: 6,780					Par: 72

SAM Torrance virtually guaranteed his participation in the Ryder Cup match next month by moving into contention for the German Masters with a second round of 67 on the Hubbelrath course here yesterday.

It was a round in which Torrance once again demonstrated his tenacity as he propelled himself alongside Sandy Lyle with a performance full of character.

He was compelled to rely on his putter to rescue his score during a ragged start as he holed three single putts in a row from the 2nd. Thereafter, Torrance never looked likely to drop a shot at any hole with the exception of the 18th, where he struck his first putt five feet past. But he trundled the return putt home with the minimum of fuss.

"It was nice to get that one in at the end," Torrance said. "For me, it is imperative to make the Ryder Cup. I enjoy it so much, and the highlight of my career was making the winning putt at The Belfry in 1985. On top of that, I think we will win again."

Torrance had missed successive halfway cuts following the Open, and his return to form coincided with him returning to his old irons after experimenting with a new set. The outcome was that Torrance earned a share of second place on 136, eight under par, with Chris Williams (70) and Lyle (69), as Mark McNulty, of Zimbabwe, edged one stroke ahead with a 67 in which he had five birdies in succession from the 4th.

Torrance has it in his own hands to be one of the nine players who automatically qualify following the end of the tournament. He requires only a top-ten finish to overtake José-Maria Olazábal. Yet it would need a mishap of Devon Loch proportions for Bernard Gallacher, the Europe captain, not to pick him for the match against the United States at Kiawah Island from September 27 to 29.

Nevertheless, Torrance acknowledged that other contenders such as Gordon Brand Jr, Mark James and José Rivero must be under more pressure because of Lyle's revival.

"I'm pleasantly surprised that Sandy is doing so well," Gallacher said. "They've all got a lot of pressure on them with so much at stake. But I wish I had given Sandy the threat that he had to win earlier this season."

Lyle followed his opening 67 with an equally impressive 69. There were a couple of occasions during a round which contained six birdies when he seemed a touch conservative. That, however, is not a criticism. He has so much to play for this weekend that Lyle naturally wants to be in a challenging position on the last nine tomorrow, when Gallacher will really sit up and take note.

"I think the last nine holes will be the test," Lyle said. "That is the crunch time. I've been in there coming down the stretch many, many times before, but not recently. All I do know is that it has always brought the best out of me, and I don't feel that I will bottle it if I have the chance."

Rivero is not without a chance following a 67 for a total of 139, and Paul Broadhurst (67) and Brand (70) are both only one stroke further adrift. There are still many possible permutations, although there can be no question that Torrance and Lyle have done most so far to impress Gallacher.

☐ Ian Woosnam recorded a bogey-free 66 to share the lead with Yoshinori Kaneko, Hiroya Kamide and Toshiaki Nakagawa after the second round of the Japan PGA tournament in Saitama on 137, seven under par.

SCORES FROM HUBBELRATH

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SECOND-ROUND LEADERS: 135: M McNulty (Zim), 68, 67. 136: A Lyle, 67, 69; S Torrance, 69, 67; C Williams, 66, 70. 137: B Lane, 71, 66; O Dabson (Fr), 69, 68; R Hartmann (US), 70, 67. 138: V Singh (Fiji), 67, 71. 139: J Rivero (Sp), 72, 67; R Davis (Aus), 70, 69; B Gallacher, 70, 69; A Garrido (Sp), 70, 69; J Hawkes (SA), 70, 69; M Gates, 68, 71. 140: R Drummond, 70, 70; A Hunter, 69, 71; A Murray, 67, 73; J Bland (SA), 72, 68; R Rafferty, 70, 70; M McLean, 70, 70; S Richardson, 68, 72; C Moody, 70, 70; G Brand Jr, 70, 70; P Broadhurst, 73, 67. 141: F Nobilo (NZ), 71, 70; R McFarlane, 69, 72; M Roe, 69, 72; R Berhorst (Ger), 72, 69; S McAllister, 69, 72; J Pinsent, 71, 70; R Claydon, 70, 71; C Montgomerie, 70, 71. 142: P Fowler (Aus), 72, 70; A Johnstone (Zim), 70, 72; M Martin (Sp), 72, 70; B Barnes, 71, 71; J Rutledge (Can), 73, 69; J Spence, 72, 70; D Gilford, 69, 73; D J Russell, 72, 70; P Teravainen (US), 72, 70; M Clayton (Aus), 71, 71; G Day (US), 72, 70. 143: P Hedblom (Swe), 72, 71; P-U Johansson (Swe), 74, 69; M James, 70, 73; S Bennett, 71, 72; C Rocca (It), 73, 70; P Walton, 71, 72; S Hamill, 70, 73; K Trimble (Aus), 73, 70; A Forsbrand (Swe), 72, 71; G Levenson (SA), 71, 72; J Parnevik (Swe), 73, 70; M Lanner (Swe), 71, 72; C Hardin (Swe), 71, 72; S Struver (Ger), 72, 71; J van de Velde (Fr), 73, 70; M Poxon, 71, 72.

Relentless Morley takes British title

By Patricia Davies

AUGUST has been a wicked month for anyone trying to beat Joanne Morley on the golf course. The England international from Sale claimed her third title of the month when she won the British women's strokeplay championship at Long Ashton yesterday.

In wet and windswept conditions, Morley had rounds of 77 and 74 for a total of 297, five over par, two shots ahead of Janice Moodie, the Scottish girls' champion from Windyhill.

Morley and Moodie, two shots behind Elaine Ratcliffe after 36 holes, each had a 77, four over par, in the third round yesterday morning, to move into the lead, a stroke clear of Alison Rose, from Stirling.

Moodie pitched into the hole for an eagle two at the 1st in the final round, and moved into the lead with a birdie four at the 4th. However, she drove into the trees to drop two shots at the 6th, and dropped another at the 9th, while Morley, who had two birdies in the first three holes, went out in one under par, to turn a stroke ahead.

Morley, winner of the English strokeplay and intermediate championships earlier this month, was never headed again and despite bogeys at both the 15th and 16th, she came to the 18th two shots clear of Moodie, who had dropped shots at the 16th and 17th.

Morley, by now a seasoned campaigner at the age of 24, made a solid par five, to clinch her first British title.

FINAL LEADING SCORES: 297: J Morley (Sale) 76, 70, 77, 74. 299: J Moodie (Windyhill) 75, 71, 77, 76. 303: F Edmond (Frinton-on-Sea) 70, 80, 76, 77. 305: E R McDaid (Skibbereen) 75, 71, 82, 77; A Rose (Stirling) 72, 78, 74, 81. 308: M McKenna (Donabate) 77, 77, 79, 75. 309: L Gehlen (Ger) 75, 81, 78, 75. 310: L Navarro (Sp) 75, 80, 79, 76; M Hageman (Neth) 76, 75, 79, 80; E Ratcliffe (Sandiway) 72, 72, 85, 81. 311: E Farquharson (Deeside) 81, 73, 80, 77; S Cavalleri (It) 75, 75, 80, 81. 312: C Lambert (Stirling University) 78, 79, 77, 78. 314: F Anderson (Blairgowrie) 75, 82, 79, 78. 315: T Kamen (Neth) 76, 77, 81, 81; M Wright (Dumfries & County) 74, 80, 78, 83. 316: A Van Der Haegen (Bel) 79, 78, 80, 79; P Pedersen (Den) 76, 79, 82, 79; A O'Sullivan (Monkstown) 75, 77, 84, 80. 317: E Smith (West Essex) 76, 74, 82, 85. 319: C Hourihane (Woodbrook) 73, 80, 86, 79.

Pollitts squeeze home

By a Special Correspondent

SEVENTEEN-stone Richard Pollitt hit the ball enormous distances and his mother, Mavis, chipped and putted brilliantly as they battled to a one-hole victory in their own club's Burhill Family Foursomes yesterday.

Their victims were Jill Nicolson, the former British and Scottish girl champion, and Alex, her 12-handicap son. The Pollitts, winners in 1985, took the lead at the 433-yard first hole. It was out of reach for the Nicolsons, but Richard hit the green with a three-iron and his mother holed from six feet for a birdie.

The match was square at the 3rd, and the Pollitts got another birdie at the 284-yard 4th, where Richard rattled his tee-shot through the trees to the edge of the green. They lost the next two, but squared again at the 9th, only to go two down after eleven.

But the Pollitts won the next three holes, and Alex Nicolson was left with a cross-green 12-footer to take the match down the 19th. He struck the high-pressure putt in his first big event well, but the ball hit the hole and spun out.

Results, page 39

Payne the man for all seasons

By John Hennessy

JIM Payne, the man to beat in amateur golf these days, maintained a strong challenge for the European championship at Hillside yesterday.

With a second round of 73, one over par in punishing conditions of gusting winds bearing squalls of rain, he advanced to a share of second place on 144, one stroke behind Alvaro Prat. These two played a halved match in the England v Spain contest at Lindrick earlier in the season.

Paul Williams, a Hillside member, joins Payne on 144 after a round of 74, along with the Belgian overnight leader, Nicolas Vanhootegem (75).

Prat played the round of the day, 70, a magnificent performance in such circumstances, highlighted by birdies at the last two holes. He hit a sand wedge third to nine feet at the long 17th and a seven-iron to three feet at the last.

Payne also finished 4-3. Taking advantage of a providential shift of wind behind him at the 17th, (549 yards) he got home with a five-iron and he subdued the 18th (443 yards downhill) with a four-iron, short of the crossbunkers, a wedge into the green and a putt from 20 feet.

LEADING SECOND ROUND SCORES: 143: A Prat (Sp), 73, 70. 144: J Payne (Eng), 71, 73; P Williams (Eng), 70, 74. 145: G Wolstenholme (Eng), 70, 75. 146: J Edward Schapmann (Ger), 72, 74. 147: I D Pyman (Eng), 73, 74. 148: R Hutt (Eng), 74, 74; P Streeter (Eng), 75, 73; I Garbutt (Eng), 72, 76; C Beautell (Sp), 72, 76. 149: D Bathgate (Eng), 75, 74; C Nowicki (Eng), 74, 75; E Canonica (It), 74, 75; J Wade (Aus), 71, 78; I Garrido (Sp), 73, 76; D Robertson (Scot), 74, 75. 150: P Drawes (Ger), 77, 73; M Florioli (It), 70, 80. 151: M Aragnetti (It), 72, 79.

New half back

Liverpool St Helens, relegated last season from the first division of the rugby union clubs' championship, have registered Mat Clelland, a stand-off half who plays for Melbourne.

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CYCLING

LeMond sets out to silence the critics

From Peter Bryan in Stuttgart

GREG LeMond, returning to full international competition after having a disappointing Tour de France and missing the World Cup race at Brighton, may yet have an answer to his critics in tomorrow's professional world road race championship.

He arrived here yesterday, unwilling to forecast that he will win a third title to add to those of 1983 and 1989, or increase his tally of silver medals from the 1982 and 1985 championships.

The American has performed as consistently as any rider in previous world championships over the last nine years, on a variety of courses, and, as always, has prepared carefully for tomorrow's 158-mile race.

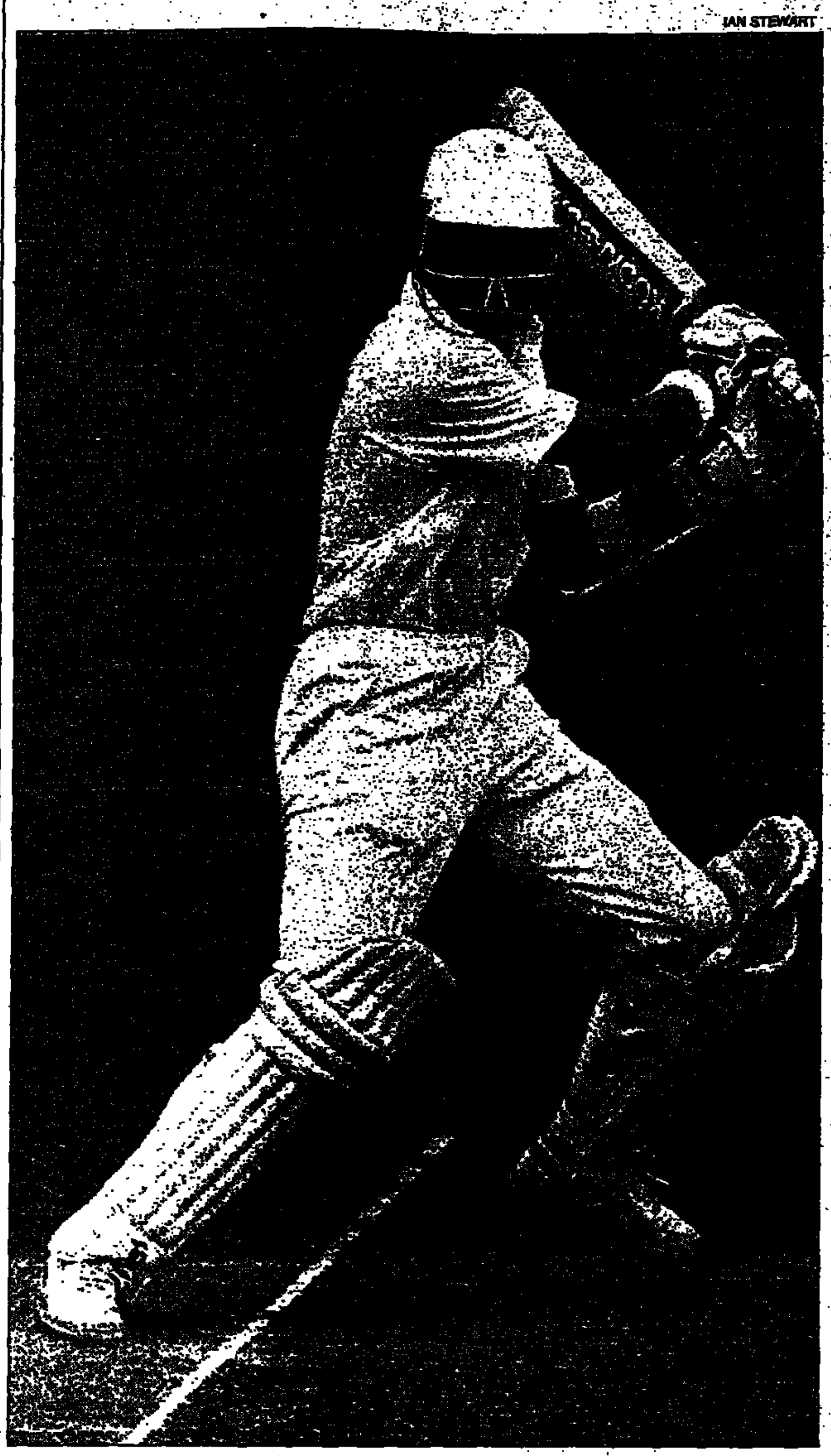
During the past week LeMond has been based in the Swiss Alps, seeking to re-establish himself as the world's No. 1 not only by reputation, but also by performance.

He needed 12 days rest after the Tour de France at his home in Minnesota, but even there he suffered from throat ulcers and needed a course of antibiotics.

If he has benefited from the Alpine air of the past week, LeMond will be again a threat for the world title. The Italians, who should flourish in the high temperatures forecast for tomorrow, know that Gianni Bugno, Claudio Chiapucci and Maurizio Fondriest have the strength to tackle the 1,450ft climb to the Telekom Tower, the halfway point of the ten-mile circuit, and the daring to descend at 50mph on the second half.

Derbyshire spinners given a hard time on unresponsive Trent Bridge pitch

IAN STEWART



Cutting loose: Stewart makes further progress during his maiden Test century against Sri Lanka on a rain-interrupted day at Lord's yesterday. Report, page 40

Nottinghamshire get benefit of Randall passion

By Ivo Tennant

TRENT BRIDGE (first day of three; Nottinghamshire won toss): Nottinghamshire have scored 284 for seven wickets against Derbyshire

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE or Derbyshire still have a faint chance of winning the county championship. Whether or not they really believe this to be possible, Derek Randall, Paul Johnson and Tim Robinson all made half-centuries yesterday, batting attractively and with conviction.

There was a passion about the cricket when Randall was at the crease, but then there always is. He has just signed a two-year contract which will keep him with Nottinghamshire until he is 42, and from the way he batted and skipped around, time has no meaning.

Coming in after Mortensen had accounted for Pollard and Broad, he made the bulk of his 76 runs against the two left-arm spinners, Sladdin and Folley. To include them, Derbyshire left out Malcolm rather than, say, Warner. Their choice of bowlers this season has been nothing if not perverse.

As yet, the pitch is not taking spin. In fact it played pretty well, which meant that Sladdin looked to throw the ball up while Folley was merely content to restrict the scoring. Considering that they had to contend with Robinson and Randall, two of the better players of spin, they did well.

Robinson could, and should, have made a century. When he reached his half-century, it was as predictable as the shots he deployed. The square drive, the forcing shot off his legs, the push to mid-on, all were there. When he was caught at the wicket, cutting at a wide one from Sladdin, it was an uncharacteristic lapse.

Randall, meantime, had been in pursuit of the 50th first-class century of his career. Sweeping Folley as finely off the wicket as was possible without the stroke becoming a paddle, he showed just how hard it is for a captain to set a field to him. He had struck ten fours when he attempted to repeat the shot against Sladdin and was bowled around his legs.

Johnson then batted as freely as anyone, pulling Mortensen and Folley for sixes over mid-wicket. A third followed, his feet moving into position quickly. His half-century was his eighth in 12 innings, the kind of achievement which leads to a winter tour of one sort or another. He also struck four fours, one of which bisected the cover ring so neatly that not a man moved.

Sladdin gained this wicket, too, having him smartly taken at slip. They were three excellent wickets for Sladdin to have in what was only his fifth first-class match. He had 40 overs and they all boded well for Derbyshire's future. Doubtless he would have had more but for 29 overs being lost to rain.

Surrey frustrated as Lamb digs in

By Richard Streeton

NORTHAMPTON (first day of three; Northamptonshire won toss): Northamptonshire have scored 121 for five wickets against Surrey

PASSING rainstorms brought a delayed start and seven times sent the players scuttling off to shelter yesterday, a freakish pattern even by English weather standards. It was especially irritating for Surrey. They stand 52 points behind Warwickshire, the leaders, but have two games in hand and their championship chances cannot yet be ruled out.

By capturing five wickets, though, Surrey achieved more in the 49 overs possible than they might have been expected to. Without a confident 61 not out by Lamb, who hit nine fours during a stay of two-and-a-half hours, Northamptonshire's plight would have been worse.

Greig, a little surprisingly, chose to stand down and Surrey are also without Waqar Younis, who has a chest infection.

Larkins rested a niggly hamstring and the constant interruptions made it a wretched occasion for Richard Montgomerie, an Oxford blue, to start his championship career. His inclusion gave Northamptonshire an opening pair of truly scientific bent. Montgomerie is reading chemistry and Fordham gained an honours degree in the same subject at Durham.

Montgomerie was leg-before in the eleventh over, during the fourth passage of play, and Bailey fell to a ball of full length shortly after the players resumed for the fifth time.

The longest period of cricket lasted 75 minutes near the end, during which Fordham was caught down the leg side and Stanley was leg-before.

Foster strikes to keep hope alive

By Jack Bailey

OLD TRAFFORD (first day of three; Lancashire won toss): Lancashire have scored 175 for five wickets against Essex

IT WAS one of those cool, blustery days and play was limited to short bursts of action during the 49 overs possible between showers. But intervals between card schools in the pavilion were eventful.

Although neither Essex nor Lancashire can yet claim a decisive advantage, Essex will have been pleased that the breaks in play kept Foster sufficiently fresh to enable him to get through 22 overs. During this time, he took four of the five wickets to fall and did further damage to Lancashire's cause by giving Mendis a painful blow on the right hand.

Mendis went to hospital. Fortunately an x-ray showed bad bruising but no break, although the effect on the course of Lancashire's innings was considerable. For whereas Mendis, after an early slice of luck, looked in full command, the rest of Lancashire's batting most assuredly did not.

From 106 for one when Mendis retired hurt at lunch, Lancashire added only 33 runs while four wickets fell, three of them to Foster.

Fitton and Hegg, however, went some way towards restoring Lancashire's fortunes. Early in the day, it had scarcely looked as though this would be necessary, as Essex offered them every facility.

Topley's second over — the fourth of the day — serves as an illustration. Mendis, on 12, was put down by Seymour, whose attempt to grasp a chance at cover probably looked more casual than it was. From the next ball, Topley failed to hold a return catch from Fowler, who had five at the time.

Fowler, losing his grip on the bat, propelled it in Topley's direction, before the Essex medium-pacer was hit by Fowler for four fours in an over.

Fortunately for Essex, Lancashire were by now in expansive mood. Fowler holed out to mid-off when he had made 43 out of 71. Then Fairbrother flashed at a widish ball immediately after getting off the mark.

Fairbrother's cavalier stroke was the catalyst for a fine spell from Foster. The next over saw Speak's off stump ripped out. Then Watkinson was missed behind the wicket, surviving briefly before Foster moved one in and found the gap between bat and pad. Meanwhile, Lloyd had been caught, again off Foster, at mid-wicket and Foster's final spell had brought him three for 34.

Fiftieth wicket for Carrick

PHIL Carrick, the Yorkshire left-arm spinner, picked up his fiftieth wicket of the season as Somerset were restricted to 264 for six off 74 overs on a rain-affected day at Taunton yesterday.

Only Cook (79), Somerset's South African opener, and Bartlett (52 not out) showed any competence against the Yorkshire attack as Carrick took three wickets for 41 off 18 overs.

An unbeaten 57 by Weekes enabled Middlesex to scramble a total of 189 against Worcestershire on a day of five interruptions for rain at New Road. They were dismissed in 62.5 overs on a pitch ideally suited to the medium pacers, Lampitt (4-53) and Tolley (3-40).

Weekes, fresh from a career-best 86 in the previous match, with Surrey, was dropped on three off Lampitt and stayed to hit eight fours in 125 minutes as the side collapsed around him. Lampitt broke an early show of resistence by Roseberry (36) and Radford accounted for Brown (26) in a lively spell after tea.

A brilliant catch at square leg by Curtis to remove Farbrace helped the left-arm Tolley take three wickets in a championship innings for the first time. Rhodes picked up five catches behind the wicket, but Worcestershire lost Bent in making 13 for one off five overs by the close.

Lincolnshire dealt an unpleasant surprise

MINOR COUNTIES REVIEW by Michael Austin

LINCOLNSHIRE'S failure to qualify for the NatWest Trophy next summer is among the biggest surprises in the Minor Counties season, which concludes with the championship final at Luton on September 8.

Even a captain's innings of 73 on Tuesday from Jim Love, the Lincolnshire and former Yorkshire batsman, could not inspire a win over Suffolk, which would probably have secured one of the 12 places allocated to Minor Counties. Lincolnshire, needing 204, finished on 203 for eight.

Last season, Lincolnshire enjoyed their best sequence of results for 20 years, being runners-up in the eastern division and beaten finalists in the Holt Cup. This time, their only victory was over Norfolk, with Phillip Heseltine, a newcomer from Berkshire, scoring 100.

Qualifiers for the NatWest Trophy are still in doubt but the other certain absentees have a familiar ring. They are Cornwall, Wales and Bedfordshire, who have slipped from the heady heights of playing Worcestershire this summer, and managed only 24 points from a nine-match programme.

Bedfordshire's struggle is reflected by Wales having the next lowest points total with 45. A six-wicket win over Wales brought Cornwall a satisfying end to their season at Ebbw Vale on Tuesday. It was Cornwall's first victory and took them off the foot of the table.

Durham lost their penultimate match as a minor county when Roger Finney, the Norfolk player-coach, made 101 not out with a boundary off the penultimate ball at Durham.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Lancs v Essex

OLD TRAFFORD (first day of three; Lancashire won toss): Lancashire have scored 175 for five wickets against Essex

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

G D Mendis retired hurt	44
G Fowler c Topley b Foster	43
N J Speak b Foster	15
*N H Fairbrother c Garnham b Topley	1
G D Lloyd c Childs b Foster	3
M Watkinson b Foster	20
†W K Hegg not out	21
J D Fitton not out	20
Extras (lb 3, w 1, nb 4)	8
Total (5 wkts, 49 overs)	175

G Yates, I D Austin and P J Martin to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-71, 2-106, 3-106, 4-123, 5-139.

ESSEX: A C Seymour, J P Stephenson, Salim Malik, N V Knight, N Hussain, *D R Pringle, N A Foster, †M A Garnham, T D Topley, J H Childs and P M Such.

Bonus points: Lancashire 1, Essex 2.

Umpires: B Dudleston and J W Holder

Notts v Derbyshire

TRENT BRIDGE (first day of three; Nottinghamshire won toss): Nottinghamshire have scored 284 for seven wickets against Derbyshire

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

B C Broad c Krikken b Mortensen	36
P R Pollard b Mortensen	7
*R T Robinson c Krikken b Sladdin	53
D W Randall b Sladdin	76
P Johnson c Azharuddin b Sladdin	58
M Saxelby c Barnett b Warner	9
F D Stephenson c and b Folley	24
†B N French not out	6
M G Field-Buss not out	7
Extras (b 3, lb 3, nb 2)	8
Total (7 wkts, 95 overs)	284

R A Pick and J A Afford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-48, 3-174, 4-177, 5-204, 6-253, 7-273

DERBYSHIRE: *K J Barnett, P D Bowler, J E Morris, M Azharuddin, T J G O'Gorman, S C Goldsmith, †K M Krikken, R W Sladdin, A E Warner, O H Mortensen and I Folley.

Bonus points: Nottinghamshire 3, Derbyshire 3

Umpires: M J Kitchen and P B Wight.

Somerset v Yorks

TAUNTON (first day of three; Yorkshire won toss): Somerset have scored 264 for six wickets against Yorkshire

SOMERSET: First Innings

S J Cook lbw b Gough	79
P M Roebuck c Blakey b Pickles	31
A N Hayhurst lbw b M A Robinson	21
*C J Tavaré c Metcalfe b Carrick	27
R J Harden lbw b Carrick	13
R J Bartlett not out	52
†N D Burns b Carrick	0
G D Rose not out	21
Extras (b 4, lb 9, nb 7)	20
Total (6 wkts, 74 overs)	264

H R J Trump, D A Graveney and J C Hallett to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-65, 2-124, 3-147, 4-169, 5-208, 6-212.

YORKSHIRE: *M D Moxon, A A Metcalfe, D Byas, S A Kellett, P E Robinson, †R J Blakey, P Carrick, C S Pickles, D Gough, J D Batty and M A Robinson

Bonus points: Somerset 3, Yorkshire 2.

Umpires: J C Balderstone and N T Plews.

Northants v Surrey

NORTHAMPTON (first day of three; Northamptonshire won toss): Northamptonshire have scored 121 for five wickets against Surrey

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

R R Montgomerie lbw b M P Bicknell	2
A Fordham c Sargeant b Murphy	28
R J Bailey b Murphy	4
*A J Lamb not out	61
N A Stanley lbw b Robinson	18
D J Capel c Sargeant b M P Bicknell	1
A R Roberts not out	2
Extras (lb 5)	5
Total (5 wkts, 49 overs)	121

K M Curran, E A E Baptiste, A L Penberthy and †W M Noon to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-15, 3-61, 4-102, 5-109.

SURREY: D J Bicknell, R I Alikhan, G P Thorpe, D M Ward, M A Lynch, J D Robinson, *K T Medlycott, M A Feltham, †N F Sargeant, M P Bicknell and A J Murphy.

Bonus points. Northamptonshire 0, Surrey 2.

Umpires: K J Lyons and B Leadbeater.

Worcs v Middlesex

WORCESTER (first day of three; Middlesex won toss). Worcestershire, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 176 runs behind Middlesex

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

M A Roseberry c Rhodes b Lampitt	36
J C Pooley c Rhodes b Newport	8
*M W Gatting b Lampitt	9
K R Brown c Moody b Radford	26
M Keech c Bent b Tolley	1
P N Weekes not out	57
J E Emburey c Rhodes b Radford	4
†P Farbrace c Curtis b Tolley	18
N F Williams b Tolley	15
D W Headley c Rhodes b Lampitt	0
N G Cowans c Rhodes b Lampitt	0
Extras (b 6, lb 1, nb 8)	15
Total (62.5 overs)	189

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-38, 3-84, 4-87, 5-112, 6-128, 7-156, 8-184, 9-189.

BOWLING: Newport 14-3-35-1; Radford 13-2-45-2; Tolley 19-4-40-3; Lampitt 15.5-2-53-4; Illingworth 1-0-9-0.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

*T S Curtis not out	2
P Bent b Cowans	1
R K Illingworth not out	8
Extras (lb 2)	2
Total (1 wkt 5 overs)	13

G A Hick, T M Moody, D B D'Oliveira, S R Lampitt, †S J Rhodes, C M Tolley, P J Newport and N V Radford to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-3.

Bonus points: Worcestershire 4, Middlesex 1.

Umpires: A A Jones and D O Oslear.

WEEKEND FIXTURES

TODAY

Cornhill Insurance Test

11.00, 90 overs minimum

LORD'S: England v Sri Lanka

Britannic Assurance county championship

11.00, 110 overs

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Essex.

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Surrey.

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire.

TAUNTON: Somerset v Yorkshire.

WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Middlesex.

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Cardiff: Glamorgan v Kent. Leamington Spa: Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire.

WOMEN'S CA TERRITORIAL TOURNAMENT: Oxford: North v South; East v Mid-West (11.0).

TOMORROW

Refuge Assurance League

2.0, 40 overs

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Essex.

LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Gloucestershire

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Warwickshire.

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire.

TAUNTON: Somerset v Yorkshire.

THE OVAL: Surrey v Hampshire.

WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Middlesex.

MINOR COUNTIES' CHAMPIONSHIP: Amersham: Buckinghamshire v Wiltshire. Oswestry: Shropshire v Devonshire.

WOMEN'S CA TERRITORIAL TOURNAMENT: Oxford: North v South; East v Mid-West (11.0).

Charities stand to benefit

THE majority of the leading Indian and Pakistani Test cricketers will be playing in two one-day matches in England next month, brought together by a new sports organisation that raises funds for charity (Ivo Tennant writes).

The Sports Development Institute, based at Watford, is an off-shoot of a company which promotes Asian writers and singers. It is looking to attract 7,000 spectators to each of the matches, at Uxbridge on September 1, and Liverpool on September 8.

One of the charities is the Youth Forum, which raises money for under-privileged young people in Britain. The other is the Imran Khan Cancer Hospital Appeal in Lahore. Pakistan's captain, needless to say, will be playing.

INDIA (from): M Azharuddin (capt), Kapil Dev, R J Shastri, M Amarnath, S R Tendulkar, S V Manjrekar, S M H Kirmani, A S Wassan, Iqbal Khan, D B Vengsarkar, V Raju, L Sivaramakrishnan.

PAKISTAN (from): Imran Khan (capt), Javed Miandad, Abdul Qadir, Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis, Shoaib Mohammad, Ramiz Raja, Salim Malik, Saeed Anwar, Aqib Javed, Moin Khan, Tauseef Ahmed, Ali Ahmed, Mushtaq Ahmed, Saleem Jaffer

☐ Sussex have appointed Alan Wells as captain for next season in place of Paul Parker, who is stepping down. Sussex have released Andy Cornford and Alan Hansford, while Philip Threlfall has decided to retire.

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Stott finds the demands of the 22 irresistible

Sympathies give way to clubs in power struggle

Oldham's return to the first division has left their chairman with divided loyalties over the proposed Premier League, Peter Ball reports

IT WOULD be a hard man who did not sympathise with Ian Stott. The Oldham Athletic chairman's delight at his club's return to the first division for the first time in 68 years has been tarnished by being caught in the middle of the political in-fighting over the proposed Premier League.

At the Football League management committee meeting at Newcastle last week, Stott found himself leading the three first-division representatives out of the meeting, putting the League's management into limbo. Yet by temperament and history he probably belongs on the other side of football's great divide, a League man almost to the core, and a member of the management committee for six years, all but the last four months spent as a second-division representative.

To the new brutalists of the big five and Lancaster Gate, destroying the League may not weigh heavily. It does with Stott, who was conscious that a venerable and still admirable 103-year-old structure was being damaged, possibly beyond repair, by his actions.

He had little option. One League official said as the arguments raged in Newcastle: "It's a knee-capping job. They're frightened men in there."

If that was an exaggeration, there is little doubt that the three first-division representatives, Doug Ellis of Aston Villa having a prior engagement, had been left in little doubt about the outcome if they failed to toe the first division's party line. There were threats of being sued for the division's share of the costs if they supported the League's court appeal against the formation of a breakaway league.

"It was pointed out that financial penalties might descend on us," Stott said, "but we were mandated to vote in the best interests of the 22 clubs, and it was a 22-club decision not to go to an appeal."

Stott, however, has no reservations about the path his club should tread and, although a League man, he is now firmly committed to the Premier League as inevitable.

"I still feel that if matters had been taken by the scruff of the neck six months ago, it could have been done under the Football League," he said, standing on Oldham's lush, new grass pitch. "If the League had acted then, some of us would have had a go to preserve the links, it could have been run from Lytham, although with a commercial link with the FA. I would still rather we called ourselves the first division than the Premier League.

"But the chance to forge a link with the League has gone. The first division won't accept any sort of joint management — there were proposals which would have given the first division a majority, but they don't want a majority, because they can't trust their own members."

Cynics wonder how much clubs like Oldham will be able to trust their new colleagues, with some of the big-five clubs' spokesmen still talking about European leagues and reductions to 18 clubs in the Premier League. Stott, however, rejects the assertion that the smaller first-division clubs are being kept in line by fear.

"It is one club, one vote, so I would refute totally that I am under the influence of a small number of clubs," he insisted. "There is always the danger that the big clubs will come along and say 'we want to do so-and-so', but the constitution says one club, one vote. That may prove to be so many words, but it's at least a better basis than we've had."

Residual loyalties make him insist that the remaining 71 clubs have to be protected. "We must be fair to the other clubs, we must take the agreement line rather than a hard line. The first division has not got it right by any means, but there are financial proposals which the first division is discussing which I'd like to think are acceptable."

Roman spectacular: Paul Gascoigne makes a characteristically understated arrival in the Italian capital yesterday, where he gave a press conference. Gascoigne is to join Lazio, the Italian first division club, from Tottenham Hotspur next year

First division club-by-club guide

Aston Villa v Arsenal
Villa were the last team to achieve a double over Arsenal but that was two seasons ago by a different set of players — Kubicki's signing yesterday was Ron Atkinson's ninth since June. Villa wait on fitness reports on Dalian Atkinson (hamstring) and Daley (groin), who has played only four games since the beginning of the year. Arsenal will again be without Campbell (ankle) and, for probably another couple of weeks, Bould (calf). Jonsson is back in the squad.

Everton v Man Utd
United must decide whether or not to reshuffle a defence — which has yet to concede a goal — to accommodate Pallister who is fit again. A change or two will be necessary somewhere since Kanchelskis, their Soviet winger, will be unavailable because of international requirements. Everton, who possess an excellent record against United, see no reason to change after the defeat of Arsenal, the champions.

Leeds v Sheffield Wed
Another old boys' reunion for Wednesday but it remains to be seen whether Trevor Francis, the manager, will enjoy it any more than he did last week's one with Ron Atkinson. Howard Wilkinson, the Leeds manager, who was in charge for five years at Hillsborough, said: "It won't be easy to put sentiment behind me, but I'll manage it." Sheridan (Wednesday) also faces his former club but, sadly, not Sterland, who spent 11 seasons at Hillsborough; McClelland keeps the right back spot.

Luton v Liverpool
Luton's new grass may be greener than most and certainly more than the plastic stuff but few men will envy David Pleat, the manager, as he turns from a 5-0 midweek defeat to face Liverpool. Pleat has found solace in the team's attitude when reduced to 10 men by the dismissal of Farrell. Gray, signed for £275,000 from Tottenham, may make his debut. At least, Liverpool will be without Barnes (Achilles tendon) and Wright (leg injury). Walters and Tanner should be the deputies.

Manchester C v C Palace
What odds history repeating itself if City beat last season's third best team and put themselves among the leaders? In 1982 they won their first three games and ended up being relegated. City should be unchanged from the side which beat Liverpool. Hangovers from last season leave Palace still without Young and Thorn because of injury and suspension, respectively. Sinnott, signed from Bradford City for £350,000, makes his debut.

McClelland: keeps place

Notts County v Nottm F
The first local derby between the clubs in eight seasons should provide a fascinating contrast in styles. Brian Clough, the Forest manager, believes that the testing midweek game at Leeds could not have provided his team with better preparation. Dean Yates, the County centre half, is of like mind about his team's win the same night at Meadow Lane against Southampton. Parker may return for Forest in place of Gemmill and County are unchanged.

Oldham v Norwich
Boosted by an impressive start to their first division lives, Oldham are confident of continuing the good work, despite doubts about Barrett (groin) and Glynn Snodin (hamstring). Kilcline and Fleming, summer signings from Coventry and Halifax, respectively, provide the cover. Norwich, who pulled off a surprise win at Queen's Park Rangers in midweek, are unchanged.

QPR v Coventry
Coventry, cheered by their five goals against Luton after losing at home in their first match, give Atherton, signed yesterday from Wigan, his debut in central defence in place of Peake on the strength of just 13 full professional games. Gerry Francis, the Rangers manager, may give his players the chance to atone for the defeat to Norwich and delay the introduction of Garry Thompson, his new signing.

Sheffield Utd v Soton
Southampton (they lost this fixture 4-1 last season) may find themselves bottom of the first official League table if they lose this one. Consequently, United, who were involved in a match of nine bookings in midweek against West Ham, could find themselves embroiled in another abrasive contest.

Tottenham v Chelsea
The focus of attention will be on Durie, whom Tottenham recently bought from Chelsea, and not least because of his two goals in two games. Sedgley, left out of Tottenham's Cup Winners' Cup tie for tactical reasons, could return to counter the threat of Dixon. Chelsea, who learned yesterday that a valuation figure will be set on Stamford Bridge in October, may be without Beasant for three weeks

Wimbledon v West Ham
Parks, the forgotten hero of Tottenham's Uefa Cup triumph of seven years ago, could return to first division action if Miklosko does not recover from an ankle injury and he recovers from his own. West Ham could settle more quickly than Wimbledon, playing their first home game at Selhurst Park.

League to discuss Charlton's case

By DENNIS SIGNY

FOOTBALL League officials have called a meeting on Wednesday with representatives of Charlton Athletic, the Greenwich local authority and the police to determine when the second division club is likely to return to The Valley.

As the ground was not ready for Charlton's return after a six-year absence, the club was given permission to play its first three games at West Ham's Upton Park ground, with a return to The Valley rescheduled for Portsmouth's visit on September 14.

There will be a further delay, possibly until the new year, largely caused by substantial extra safety work insisted upon by Greenwich Council.

Beazer, the contractors, say they have been unable to cope with the "continued variations to the original agreed specifications". Greenwich feels that each item of work to the ground should receive a new planning consent and the club's various planning applications are due to be heard at a meeting on September 24.

A spokesman for the League reacted to the news that The Valley will not be ready until late this year by saying: "We are taking a strict line on this." Charlton, who have received assurances from West Ham that they can extend their stay at Upton Park, face a fine.

Charlton have shared Selhurst Park with Crystal Palace since leaving The Valley in 1985.

☐ Zurich — Tottenham Hotspur will have to travel to a neutral country to play the second leg of their European Cup Winners' Cup first round tie against Hadjuk Split on October 2, should they complete an aggregate victory over the Austrians from Sparkasse Stockerau in the preliminary round.

The European football union, (Uefa) decided yesterday that all four Yugoslav clubs in the three European club competitions would have to play their home legs in a neutral country because of the continuing political unrest in their country. No time limit was set for the ban, which is not subject to appeal but Uefa said it would continue until the Yugoslav Federation can give firm assurances concerning a return to order and the safety of people and property in the country.

Laura Thompson

Lord's in limbo as the world keeps on turning

If, in a pub, you notice the sudden animation of a circle of bearded real ale drinkers and their silent women, be sure that the chief beard has just embarked with jovial dictatorialness upon a round of Trivial Pursuits: "Who was Lady Penelope's chauffeur? Who was Dick Dastardly's dog? What is the title of the theme tune to the BBC cricket coverage?" Polite people will pretend to grope for answers which any fool has on the tip of his tongue, to wit: Parker, Muttley and Soul Limbo — this last being where I am at, right now.

I mean my soul is in limbo. It does not know whether to go to football or to cricket. Of course, it felt the thrill of the homecoming when it heard the classified results last Saturday. Yet still it looks back, like Orpheus, to the evaporating summer. It does not want to be pushed remorselessly onwards into new seasons. It loves John Barnes but, to be brutal, it does not want to see him yet.

No, football must wait, quailing hopefully, upon my pleasure. This is August, it is humid, and I am with the Sri Lankans at Lord's, watching the red and yellow ties go by. Were I a man and a member of MCC, I should wear my red and yellow tie all the time, assembling my shirts around it every morning and going to Lord's every day. If I were a man and not a member of MCC, I should never go to Lord's. I could not bear to. Women do not have these symbolic tie worries. Their worry is, supposedly, that they cannot get into the Long Room, but in fact they have far more important things to worry about, and so should the Labour Party. An entry in the visitors' book for the West Indies Test reads: "Mr J . Major — Guest: Mr Kinnock", which is perhaps when the No More Male Clubs policy was conceived.

John Major knows that being seen at a sporting event is the easiest way of showing the British public that you understand it, although on Thursday he judged the reinstatement of Mr Gorbachev to constitute the more pressing demand, and probably he was right.

But taking Mr Kinnock to Lord's . . . what a fascinating thing, what hidden resonances about the nature of politics, cricket and men! No doubt if there was cricket in the Soviet Union the visitors' book would read: "Mr M . Gorbachev — Guest: Mr Yanayev."

Mrs Thatcher's idea of relaxation was governing the country, but men are different. When John and Neil got into the Long Room, their quarrels would have assumed the proper, petty perspective as life dropped away from them, leaving only cricket and the languorous debate of an all-party defence policy against Curtly Ambrose.

This Sri Lankan Test does not disseminate that febrile West Indian excitement, and is thus more representative of English cricket. On the first day at Lord's against West Indies there were a few men who got over-excited by all that fast bowling, but there was nothing for them here, and they foundered in the concentrated face of all those men strolling about with an air of aimless purpose, with or without a red and yellow amulet, knowing that they have uncovered the secret of the universe.

It is impossible to analyse why cricket, why a day at Lord's, causes people to act as if they have uncovered the secret of the universe. The constant analysis of minutae, like spin and wicket and statistics, is a smokescreen shrouding an eternal mystery. One does not question the desire to suspend one's life for a day in order to watch cricket, and the fact that one does not question it may explain the desire. The English like simple mysteries. Believe me when I say that no one watches every ball. Attention is given in rhythmic waves, by different spectators at different times. Then they drift off, fidget, read the paper and wait for lunch, for the time when they can sit on patchy grass, open their Paxton and Whitfield bags (yes, just that hint of showing-off, of self-conscious swank), and have a nice talk about cricket.

They are worshipping before Lord's. They are subsuming themselves into the greater being that is English cricket, whose power emerges insidiously from its components, which are, it must be said, fantastically, fabulously boring. I left early. I was bored. As I scuttled past the man on the gate he said to me: "See you again soon." "I hope so," I replied, and I meant it. Had I then met Gary Lineker en route to tea with Placido Domingo, I would have discussed with him the problems of soul limbo: forward into the rough and tumble, the European forests, the stridency, the excitement, or back into the still point of the turning world, the green and secret English garden?

> *'One does not question the desire to suspend one's life for a day in order to watch cricket'*

IN BRIEF

Allcock again

TONY Allcock retained the Woolwich EBA singles championship when he defeated David Hobbis of Stratford-upon-Avon 21-3 in an awkward wind at Worthing yesterday.

Allcock is the second player, after David Bryant, to win the title in consecutive years. Varying the jack length, he delivered good shots on all 15 ends.

EQUESTRIANISM: Ian Stark has withdrawn his No. 1 horse, Murphy Himself, which was found to be unsound after training at Lambourn, from the European three-day eventing championships in Ireland.

RUGBY UNION: The Wellington prop, Kevin Boroevich, capped three times by the All Blacks in 1986, will captain Richmond for the next two seasons. Vincent Codrington has taken the full-time, paid role of director of rugby.

ATHLETICS: The Namibian government has decided not to fund a squad to the All African Games in Cairo because there are too many whites on the team, the sport minister, Pendukeni Ithana, said.

REAL TENNIS: The world No. 1 amateur, Julian Snow, of Britain, reached the semi-finals of the Australian Open championship in Melbourne, beating Chris Bray, the Petworth professional, in four sets.

MOTOR RALLYING: Markku Alen, of Finland, in a Subaru, led the 1,000 Lakes Rally, north of Helsinki, after the first leg.

MOTOR RACING: Geoff Brabham suffered compression fractures of two vertebrae and fractured three ribs during a test run at the Road America auto race track in Wisconsin.

ORIENTEERING: Jorgen Martensson, of Sweden, won the men's classic gold medal at the world championships in Czechoslovakia. Katrin Olah, of Hungary, took the women's title.

TENNIS

Graf jumps the queue without even playing

By ANDREW LONGMORE, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

STEFFI Graf enters the $7 million US Open on Monday, back in a familiar role as world No. 1. Despite the tendinitis in the shoulder which forced her out of last month's Federation Cup, Graf recently returned to what she has always considered her rightful place at the head of the women's game after Monica Seles's interregnum.

That she did so without needing to pick up a racket, while Seles was winning a tournament in Los Angeles, is more a quirk of the ranking system than divine retribution for the tangle Seles and her helpers have got themselves into over a sorry last two months. It began with a belated withdrawal from Wimbledon and ended with a ban from the Olympics by the International Tennis Federation after she had pulled out of the Yugoslav team for the Federation Cup.

In between, there have been fines and, last week, a mix-up over her entry for Washington. The Yugoslav has quite a bit of ground to make up on the publicity stakes over the next few months. Perhaps being No. 2 again will help her sense of perspective.

Graf has troubles of her own. As she faces her first competitive match for a month, against Andrea Temesvari in the first round, there is still some doubt about her fitness. Not even the Wimbledon champion herself is sure how the shoulder will stand up to a possible seven matches in two weeks. Luckily for Graf, she is unlikely to be seriously troubled until the second week.

Graf's countrymen, Boris Becker and Michael Stich, are in opposite halves of the draw for the men's singles. Becker, the top seed, has the more difficult path, with a revived Pete Sampras, defending his title, the French Open champion, Jim Courier, and Andre Agassi in his half, although Stich is seeded to meet Stefan Edberg in a repeat of their Wimbledon semi-final.

Seeds find trouble

THE seeds found the going tough in the girls 18-and-under singles at the Midland Bank Bristish junior championships in Nottingham yesterday (Alix Ramsay writes). The No. 2 seed, Emily Bond, fell to Tamsin Wainwright, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3. In the other semi-final, the No. 1 seed, Caroline Hunt, went 2-0 down in the third set against Lucie Ahl before recovering to win 6-2, 4-6, 6-2.

The one completed boys semi-final was a simple affair as Phillip Cooper, seeded three, disposed of the No. 8 seed, Simon Bonham 6-1, 6-4, 6-3.

RESULTS: Boys 14-and-under semi-finals: M Stocks (Norfolk) bt B McColl (W of Scot), 4-6, 6-2, 6-3; S Clark (Warwicks) bt B Haran (Hants and IoW), 6-3, 7-6. Boys 18-and-under singles semi-finals: P Cooper (Warwicks) bt S Bonham (Essex), 6-1, 6-4, 6-3. Girls 18-and-under semi-finals: C Hunt (Dorset) bt L Ahl (Devon), 6-2, 4-6, 6-2; T Wainwright (Warwicks) bt E Bond (Gloucs), 7-5, 3-6, 6-3. Girls 14-and-under semi-finals: F Hearn (Middx) bt Z Mellis (Essex) 6-1, 6-2; M Miller (Yorks) bt K Webster (Derbys), 6-2, 6-4.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Philadelphia Phillies 4, Pittsburgh Pirates 3; San Francisco Giants 11, Houston Astros 8, Atlanta Braves 4, Cincinnati Reds 1, New York Mets 6, St Louis Cardinals 0. AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boston Red Sox 7, Cleveland Indians 6; Minnesota Twins 5, Seattle Mariners 4; Oakland A's 2, California Angels 1; Milwaukee Brewers 8, Toronto Blue Jays 7, Texas Rangers 4, Kansas City Royals 2.

BOWLS

WORTHING: Woolwich EBA national singles championships: Second round: T Bousfield (Darlington Railway Athletic, Durham) bt N Harrison (Ainsty, Yorkshire), 21-13; R Morris (Clock House, Upminster) bt D Seymour (Stoke Poges), 21-19; J Hobday (West Backwell, Somerset) bt R Britten (Erdington Court), 21-20; J Arnett (Elson and Robbins, Derby) bt R Perry (Bulmers, Hereford), 21-15; A Allcock (Cheltenham) bt B Taylor (County Arts, Norfolk), 21-2; J Leaning (City of Exeter) bt K Kelly (St Giles, Lincoln), 21-12; I Parnell (Ipswich) bt R Hewson (Summertown, Oxon), 21-20; J Whitcombe (Cavaliers, Notts) bt P Varnavacopoulos (West Wimbledon), 21-19; D Hobbis (Stratford-on-Avon) bt M Hughes (Syston, Leicestershire), 21-19; C Taylor (Oakley, Hants) bt P Dunstan (Cowes Medina, IoW), 21-16; G Shadwell (Trowbridge, Westbourne) bt D Lockhart (Bolton), 21-14; J Butcher (Bromley) bt J Morley (Finchley), 21-7; E Vowles (Redland Green, Bristol) bt K Smith (Denham, Bucks), 21-20; P Mattravers (Ilchester, Somerset) bt N Brignell (Nafferton, Yorkshire), 21-13; M Yelland (Owls, Watford) bt J Pring (Hook and Southborough, Surrey), 21-8; M Struthers (Thetford GW Stanforth, Norfolk) bt M Read (Stenalees, Cornwall), 21-15. Third round: Bousfield bt Morris, 21-20; Hobday bt Arnett, 21-18; Allcock bt Leaning, 21-18; Parnell bt Whitcombe, 21-10; Hobbis bt C Taylor, 21-15; Shadwell bt Butcher, 21-19; Mattravers bt Vowles, 21-14; Struthers bt Yelland, 21-13. Quarter-finals: Hobday bt Bousfield, 21-18; Allcock bt Parnell, 21-10; Hobbis bt Shadwell, 21-8; Struthers bt Mattravers, 21-15. Semi-finals: Allcock bt Hobday, 21-12; Hobbis bt Struthers, 21-9. Final: Allcock bt Hobbis, 21-3.

EBBW VALE: Welsh Bowls Association national championships: Singles. Semi-final: W Thomas (Pontrhydyfen) bt R Wason (Cardiff), 21-11

CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE 2ND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Cardiff: Kent 305-7 dec. Glamorgan 97-3 (J Williams 56 not out); no play yesterday. Match drawn

EQUESTRIANISM

ROTHERFIELD PARK, Hampshire: European junior three-day event championships: Dressage: 1, A Tenniglman (Neth), Heesle's Mastermind, 40.8pts; 2, S Thompson (GB), Ballyjim II, 44.6; 3, S Bracciarol (It), Blue J, 44.8. British placings: 10, C Wybrow, Withcote Freddie, 49.4; 28, D Hughes, Jenny Black, 60.2; 31, M Parker, Grol, 60.8. Teams: 1, Italy, 145.8; 2, Germany, 151.2; 3, Great Britain, 154.2.

YACHTING

MOUNTS BAY: National International 505 championship: Final positions (sixth race cancelled): 1, I Pinnell and M Darling (Northampton), 9.5pts; 2, C Robinson and K Richardson (Burton), 25; 3, P Colclough and I Godfrey (Leigh and Lowton), 28.

Ian Woosnam: sharing the lead in Saitama

GOLF

BURHILL, Surrey: Family foursomes: Fourth round: Mrs E Morgan and S Morgan (West Sussex) bt Mrs S Tilling and O Gadney (Royal Wimbledon), 2 and 1; Mrs E Dale and C Dale (Goring and Streatley) bt Mrs B Cox and S Cox (Burnham Beeches), 5 and 4; M Haddleton (Blackmoor) and Mrs A Whiteley (West Hill) bt Mrs L Gilbert and A Gilbert (Burhill), 5 and 4; Mrs J Nicolson and A Nicolson (Worplesdon) bt Mrs F Ralph and J Ralph (Ellesborough), 3 and 1; Mrs M Pollitt and R Pollitt (Burhill) bt B Rowan and Miss S Rowan (The Drift), 3 and 2; Mrs R Boyd and A Boyd (Berkshire) bt Mrs J Tate and R Tate (Royal Ashdown Forest), 3 and 1; P Allen (Woburn) and Miss A Allen (Moortown) bt Mrs L Deloy (Maidenhead) and S Deloy (Coombe Hill), 5 and 4; Mrs S Birley and E Birley (Tandridge) bt Mrs A Sexton (Burhill) and C Weekes (Royal Mid-Surrey), 1 up. Quarter-finals: Dale and Dale bt Morgan and Morgan 1 up; Nicolson and Nicolson bt Haddleton and Whiteley, 2 and 1; Pollitt and Pollitt bt Boyd and Boyd, 4 and 2; Birley and Birley bt Deloy and Deloy, at 20th. Semi-finals: Nicolson and Nicolson bt Dale and Dale, 3 and 2; Pollitt and Pollitt bt Birley and Birley, 1 up. Final: Pollitt and Pollitt bt Nicolson and Nicolson, 1 up.

WENTWORTH: Peugeot PGA British assistants' championship: Final scores: 288: S Wood (Herne Bay), 73, 73, 69, 73. 289: P Lawrie (King's Links), 70, 69, 73, 77; D Stokes (Chesterfield), 71, 75, 73, 70. 290: S Little (Minchinhampton), 70, 75, 74, 71. 292: C Innes (Turnberry), 78, 72, 69, 73. 293: A Clapp (A1 Academy), 72, 75, 71, 75; K Golding (Stowmarket), 68, 75, 75, 75. 294: I Benson (Blackmoor), 78, 73, 72, 71; I Harrison (Ross-on-Wye), 72, 77, 73, 72; R Dunbar (Royal Liverpool), 71, 76, 71, 76; G Orr (Burhill), 72, 67, 74, 81.

AKRON, Ohio: World Series of Golf: First round (US unless stated): 66: N Henke. 68: L Mize, B Fleisher. 69: R Tway, J Mudd, W Westner (SA). 70: J-M Olazabal (Sp), M Reid. 71: S Elkington (Aus), D Pruitt, B Brown, J Blake, R Mediate.

OAK BROOK, Illinois: Chicago Shoot-Out women's tournament: First round (US unless stated): 66: L Keen. 67: J Anschutz. 68: M Nause, D Eggeling, S Steinhauer, M Edge. Leading Britons: 71: C Pierce. 77: L Davies.

SAITAMA: Japan PGA tournament: Leaders after two rounds (Japan unless stated): 137: I Woosnam (GB), 71, 66; T Nakagawa, 67, 70; H Kamide, 71, 66; Y Kaneko, 74, 63. 138: K Murota, 70, 68; T Nishikawa, 68, 70. 139: G Marsh (Aus), 70, 69; P Hoad (GB) 71, 68; T Nakajima, 70, 69; I Aoki, 70, 69; N Yuhara, 70, 69; Y Mizumaki, 69, 70.

HOCKEY

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Southgate 1 England Under-21 2.

ICE HOCKEY

TURKU: International: Finland 3 Sweden 6.

MODERN PENTATHLON

SAN ANTONIO: World championship: Overall (after four events): 1, E Zenovka (USSR) 4,509pts (fencing 820, swimming 1,284, shooting 1,120, running 1,285); 2, A Mizser (Hun), 4,457 (940, 1,220, 1,075, 1,222); 3, V Iliev (Bul), 4,456 (850, 1,276, 1,195, 1,135); 4, A Skrzypaszek (Pol), 4,414 (840, 1,276, 1,000, 1,198); 5, P Steinmann (Switz), 4,408 (865, 1,276, 1,015, 1,252); 6, R Bomprezzi (It), 4,378 (880, 1,156, 1,075, 1,267). British placings: 22, R Phelps, 4,256 (730, 1,280, 1,000, 1,246); 25, G Brookhouse, 4,239 (790, 1,260, 985, 1,204); 44, G Whyte, 4,031 (805, 1,256, 955, 1,015)

MOTOR RALLYING

JYVASKYLA, Finland: 1,000 lakes rally: Leaders after first leg: 1, M Alen (Fin) Subaru, 32min 25sec; 2, C Sainz (Sp), Toyota, at 1sec; 3, J Kankkunen (Fin), Lancia, at 6; 4, A Vatanen (Fin), Ford, at 18; 5, S Lindholm (Swe), Ford, at 29; 6, D Auriol (Fr), Lancia, at 35.

ORIENTEERING

MARIANSKE LAZNE, Czechoslovakia: World long-distance championships: Men: J Martensson (Swe), 1hr 49min 25sec. Women: K Olah (Hun), 1 19.52.

REAL TENNIS

MELBOURNE: Australian open championships (Australia unless stated): Singles: First round: M Happell bt J Howell (GB), 6-3, 6-2, 6-4. Quarter-finals: W Davies bt N Wood (GB), 6-4, 6-3, 6-1; J Snow (GB) bt C Bray (GB), 6-1, 6-3, 2-6, 6-1; G Hyland bt A Mickelburough, 6-4, 6-1, 6-3; M Happell bt F Filippelli, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2. Doubles: Semi-finals: W Davies and B Coates bt G Hyland and E Cockram, 6-1, 6-3, 6-0; J Snow (GB) and R Fahey bt J Howell (GB) and C Bray (GB), 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

HOBART: Tasmanian open championship (Australia unless stated): Singles: Semi-finals: M Happell bt J Snow (GB), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-3; G Hyland bt F Filippelli, 6-3, 3-6, 6-5, 6-0. Final: Hyland bt Happell, 6-2, 6-2, 6-1

FOOTBALL

PONTINS LEAGUE: Second division: Huddersfield 0, Leicester 3

LEAGUE OF IRELAND: League Cup: First round: Bohemians 1, St James's Gate 0; Dundalk 2, Drogheda United 0; Kilkenny City 1 Waterford United 0; Monaghan United 1, Athlone Town 0, Sligo Rovers 2, Derry City 2.

WORLD UNDER-17 CHAMPIONSHIP (in Italy): Group A: Italy 0, Argentina 0; United States 3, China 1. Group B: Mexico 1, Congo 2; Australia 0, Qatar 1. Group C: Brazil 1, Sudan 0, Germany 2, United Arab Emirates 2. Group D: Spain 1, Ghana 1; Uruguay 1, Cuba 0. Quarter-finals (to be played tomorrow): United States v Qatar; Argentina v Australia; Brazil v Ghana, Spain v Germany

RIFLE SHOOTING

BISLEY: National smallbore rifle championships: Rocket WD40 Trophy (class X grand aggregate): 1, P Strong (Maidenhead), 2,931pts; 2, G Doe (Maidenhead), 2,924; 3, R Law (Stirling Rf) 2,716/1,351; 4, M Babb (Deal), 2,716/1,347. Codrington Memorial Trophy (class A aggregate): 1, G Duff (Comber) 2,717; 2, J Renouf (Jersey) 2,708; 3, G Haworth (City of Oxford) 2,707. Lever Brothers Trophy (class B aggregate): 1, A Beck (Bury), 2,694; 2, R Pill (Buckland), 2,691; 3, P Hessman (Lingfield and Dormansland), 2,689. Charles Walker Cup (class C aggregate): 1, K Gibbons (Appleton), 2,678; 2, C Hazlehurst (3 Stafford) 2,665/1,326; 3, P Faulkner (Beaminster) 2,665/1,319. Frank Dyke Cup (class D aggregate): 1, G Winton (Jersey), 2,656; 2, P Bradley (Worthing), 2,646; 3, L Ball (Hull), 2,640. Vic Gilbert Memorial Trophy (junior aggregate): 1, J Simcock (Ellesmere College), 2,681; 2, Gibbons 2,678; 3, N Mawson (Ellesmere College), 2,661. Regiment Cup (women's aggregate): 1, K Morton (Stanton) 2,694; 2, I Andrew (Romford) 2,692; 3, V Blow (Springfield) 2,687. Marquess of Salisbury Trophy (top army competitor): M Begol (RAPC), 2,911

SQUASH RACKETS

SINGAPORE: Open championships: Semi-finals: Men: Jansher Khan (Pak) bt T Nancarrow (Aus), 11-15, 15-7, 15-3, 15-6; C Robertson (Aus) bt B Martin (Aus), 15-13, 15-9, 15-12. Women: M Martin (Aus) bt R Lambourne (Aus), 10-15, 15-7, 15-9, 15-8; M Le Moignan (Eng) bt C Jackman (Eng), 15-9, 15-9, 14-17, 15-13

SWIMMING

EDMONTON, Canada: Pan Pacific championships: Men: 200m freestyle: 1, I Brown (Aus), 1min 49.48sec; 2, J Hudepohl (US), 1 49.63. 100m backstroke: 1, J Rouse (US), 54.67sec; 2, M Tewksbury (Can), 55.16. 200m butterfly: M Stewart (US), 1min 57.92sec. Women: 200m freestyle: 1, N Haslett (US), 2:00.31; 2, J Evans (US), 2:00.64. 1,500m freestyle: 1, J Elford (Aus), 16.36.27; 2, P Langrell (NZ), 16.38.44. 100m backstroke: 1, J Wagstaff (US), 1:01.00; 2, N Livingstone (Aus) 1:01.95. 200m butterfly: S Sanders (US), 2:09.94

TENNIS

SCHENECTADY, New York: OTB International: Men's singles: Second round: M Stich (Ger) bt T Carbonell (Sp), 6-1, 6-2; M Woodforde (Aus) bt A Gomez (Ec), 6-7, 6-4, 7-5; A Cherkasov (USSR) bt R Fromberg (Aus) 6-2, 7-5; H Skoff (Austria) bt C Adams (US), 5-7, 6-2, 7-6; S Bruguera (Sp) bt P Haarhuis (Neth), 6-4, 3-6, 7-5. Women's singles: Second round: A Huber (Ger) bt L Davenport (US), 6-1, 7-5; A Dechaume (Fr) bt K Kschwendt (Lux), 6-4, 6-4; N Sawamatsu (Japan) bt B Rittner (Ger), 6-2, 6-2; B Schultz (Neth) bt W Probst (Ger) 6-3, 6-2; R McQuillan (Aus) bt E Sviglerova (Cz) 7-6, 6-1; F Labat (Arg) bt M Bollegraf (Neth), 6-2, 6-3; N Provis (Fr) bt J Halard (Fr), 5-7, 6-2, 6-2

NEW YORK: US Open: Qualifying tournament: Women: First round: S Loosemore (GB) bt H Adamkova (Ger), 6-4, 6-0; A Grunfeld (GB) bt N Miyagi (Japan), 3-6, 7-6, 6-4

COMMACK, New York: Hamlet Challenge Cup: Second round: J Connors bt N Kulti (Fin), 1-6, 6-4, 6-0; T Champion (Fr) bt J-P Fleurian (Fr), 7-5, 4-6, 7-5; S Edberg (Swe) bt P Lundgren (Swe), 6-3, 6-3; O Delaitre (Fr) bt M Larsson (Swe), 6-0, 3-6, 6-1.

WASHINGTON: Virginia Slims tournament: Quarter-finals: K Maleeva (Bul) bt J Wiesner (Austria), 6-4, 6-2; L Meskhi (USSR) bt J Novotna (Cz), 6-2, 2-6, 6-4; A Sánchez Vicario (Sp) bt Z Garrison (US) 6-3, 6-2

RUGBY LEAGUE

Hull in the mood to cause upset

By KEITH MACKLIN

LIFE after Ellery Hanley begins for Wigan at the international stadium in Gateshead tomorrow when the club makes its customary appearance in the CIS Charity Shield, against Hull, the premiership winners.

A sell-out crowd of about 11,000 is expected in this latest missionary visit to the north-east, so the absence of the league's most charismatic player will not be felt at the gate. Whether Wigan will miss him is another matter.

The bookmakers don't think so; they have made Wigan 11-10 favourites to retain the championship. Maurice Lindsay, the chairman, equally confident, points out that Wigan laid the foundations of last season's championship success during a 17-match period when Hanley was troubled with a pelvic injury, and feels that Wigan can do so again. However, the champions and Challenge Cup holders may receive an early shock from a Hull side anxious to repeat the hiding it handed out in the championship at the Boulevard last season.

☐ Wakefield Trinity could be forced to close unless they can sort out a misunderstanding with the local council. Trinity had expected a council loan of £100,000 to carry out essential work on the Belle Vue ground to obtain a new safety certificate. Colin Croxall, deputy leader of the council, said a loan had not been formally offered.

David Oxley, the league's chief executive, said that the situation was serious, but he believed the problem would be solved before the season began.

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Stewart completes first Test century

De Silva makes England toil for respectability

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent

LORD'S (second day of five): Sri Lanka, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 207 runs behind England

THE first century of Alec Stewart's Test career was not enough, yesterday, to alter the unexpected plot of this Cornhill Test match. England, dismissed for 282, will be at risk of indignity if Sri Lanka can today bat as capably as they bowled. Last evening, in their thrillingly uninhibited style, they hinted at doing just that.

When the second day, confined by rain to only two-and-a-half hours of play, ended in bright sunshine, Sri Lanka had ridden the loss of two early wickets and were racing along at five runs an over. Aravinda de Silva, their captain, had already atoned for four consecutive failures at Lord's with the best strokes of the game so far. In seven overs at the crease he has so far made 42 and if he lasts even an hour this morning, there is a treat in store.

Rumesh Ratnayake, dogged by ill-luck on Thursday, had earlier compensated by picking up England's last three wickets, two with full-pitches, to become the first Sri Lankan to take five in an innings against England. Occasionally very quick and constantly capable of moving the ball around, the raffish Ratnayake deserved whatever came his way yesterday.

The same, however, could be said of Stewart, who had as much good fortune as anyone on the opening day but was grimly determined not to waste it. He will often play more vivid innings than this but seldom will he play more responsibly or effectively. He had been batting just short of five hours when the last of the tailenders subsided and had offered no further chances since being missed when 24.

Stewart, who becomes only the second Englishman after Allan Lamb to score a Test century against this opposition, had lingered fretfully in the nineties. The crowd, such as had remained following a break of almost five hours, suffered with him and so, concealed within the England dressing-room, must his father, Micky.

The team manager did not make a century in his eight Tests and, much as he tries to insist that Alec Stewart, in this environment is a player, not a son, he could hardly fail to be the proudest man in the ground. Stewart junior has felt the pressure of his parentage and, by inference, Stewart senior cannot have been oblivious. There have, it is true, been many players who have not received such loyalty as Stewart has enjoyed but, after several times threatening to justify it, he has now done so with style and timing.

He came in before lunch on the first day when England were apparently launched towards the forecast mountain of runs. He kept cool through a collapse and then single-mindedly assumed the senior role as England achieved their reduced ambition of respectability.

Play resumed 45 minutes late yesterday and the initial session lasted only 27 minutes. This, however, was time enough for Russell to depart to an ugly pull against a ball from Anurasiri which turned, and for Stewart to advance to 95.

He was marooned there until 4.50pm, when the harassed groundstaff hauled off the covers for the last of many times. In weather cool enough to persuade many of the Sri Lankans into two sweaters, Stewart was subjected to some excitable appealing, which plainly did nothing for his nerves. On 98, he took a foolish single which would have had Lawrence run out by two yards if the throw from point had hit. Another sharp, but safe single in the following over, brought the crowd to its feet.

Lawrence and Tufnell went quietly, leaving England with the salutory figure of 59 runs from their last eight batsmen. Their total briefly assumed inflated proportions when DeFreitas, who has strangely taken more wickets in Test than championship cricket this season, removed Kuruppu and Gurusinha in his first four overs. De Silva, however, announced himself by hooking Lawrence for four and lit up the closing half-hour with strokes of fearless imagery.

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SCOREBOARD FROM LORD'S

England won toss

ENGLAND: First innings

		6s	4s	Min	Balls
*G A Gooch c and b Ramanayake *Failing to reach pitch of ball*	38	—	4	88	70
H Morris lbw b Ratnayake *Playing down wrong line*	42	—	7	162	97
A J Stewart not out	113	—	14	308	240
R A Smith c Tillekeratna b Ratnayake *Trying to take bat away, catch to keeper*	4	—	1	8	8
M R Ramprakash c Mahanama b Hathurusinghe *Attempting square cut, edge to slip*	0	—	—	5	5
I T Botham c Mahanama b Ramanayake *Skied edge to backward point*	22	—	4	43	33
C C Lewis c de Silva b Anurasiri *Edged turning ball to short slip*	11	1	1	36	25
†R C Russell b Anurasiri *Hitting across line*	17	—	2	68	50
P A J DeFreitas b Ratnayake *Deflected from roll of pad*	1	—	—	33	33
D V Lawrence c and b Ratnayake *Driving hard and straight*	3	—	—	25	16
P C R Tufnell lbw Ratnayake *Playing across straight ball*	0	—	—	7	4
Extras (b 9, lb 8, nb 14)	31				
Total (95 overs, 398 min)	282				

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-70 (Morris 22 not out), 2-114 (Stewart 23), 3-119 (Stewart 23), 4-120 (Stewart 24), 5-160 (Stewart 40), 6-183 (Stewart 51), 7-246 (Stewart 87), 8-258 (Stewart 96), 9-276 (Stewart 107).

BOWLING: Ratnayake 27-4-69-5 (nb 1) (8-2-15-0, 2-0-5-0, 6-0-21-2, 11-2-28-3); Ramanayake 24-5-75-2 (nb 3) (4-0-19-0, 11-3-26-1, 9-2-30-1); Wijegunawardene 10-1-36-0 (nb 2) (7-0-23-0, 3-1-13-0); Hathurusinghe 17-6-40-1 (nb 2) (1-0-9-0, 16-6-31-1); Anurasiri 17-4-45-2 (nb 5) (one spell).

INTERMEDIATE SCORES: 50: 66min (15.2 overs). Lunch: 94-1 (Morris 30, Stewart 16, 28 overs). 100: 142min (33.2 overs). 150: 217min (51.2 overs). Tea: 168-5 (Stewart 43, Lewis 4) in 57 overs. 200: 288 mins (67.4 overs). Bad light stopped play at 5.11pm. Play abandoned at 6.22pm. Close 229-6 (Stewart 78, Russell 11) in 74 overs. Second day: Start delayed until 11.44. 250: 342min (81.1 overs). Rain stopped play 12.14 at 255-7. Restart at 4.50. Innings closed 5.44.

SRI LANKA: First Innings

		6s	4s	Min	Balls
D S B P Kuruppu b DeFreitas *Dragged ball on to stumps*	5	-	1	13	11
V C Hathurusinghe not out	19	-	2	64	36
A P Gurusinha lbw DeFreitas *Playing across straight ball*	4	-	1	15	8
*P A de Silva not out	42	-	7	32	30
Extras (lb 5)	5				
Total (2 wkts, 14 overs, 64 mins)	75				

R S Mahanama, S T Jayasuriya, †H P Tillekeratne, C P H Ramanayake, R J Ratnayake, K I W Wijegunawardene, S D Anurasiri to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12 (Hathurusinghe 6), 2-22 (Hathurusinghe 12).
BOWLING: DeFreitas 7-2-23-2 (nb 1); Lawrence 4-1-27-0; Lewis 3-0-20-0. One spell each

INTERMEDIATE SCORE: 50: 46min (9.3 overs).
UMPIRES: H D Bird and J H Hampshire.

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Victory salute: Gillingham celebrates after the 200 metres breaststroke final

Superior fitness paves way to gold for Gillingham

From Craig Lord in Athens

NICK Gillingham gave Britain its finest hour at the European swimming championships here last night when he retained his 200 metres breaststroke title by just three-hundredths of a second.

In a tactical race, Gillingham, aged 23, from Birmingham, set a Commonwealth, championship and British record of 2min 12.55sec and ended the myth that Norbert Rozsa is invisible outside America.

The Hungarian, Norbert Rozsa, had set a world record of 1:01.29 in the 100 metres on Tuesday, and many had expected his dominance to continue. But Gillingham controlled the pace from start to finish, turning in 1:04.60. Rozsa, swimming in the next lane to Gillingham, shadowed his rival all the way, but he under-estimated the Englishman's fitness. Rozsa's speed was not enough, despite a 33.42sec last length.

The result reversed that of the world championships in January, when Mike Barrowman, the world record holder from America, whose training partner, Sergio Lopez, of Spain, was third, was the only man to beat the Europeans. Since then, Gillingham has increased his training by 20 per cent, covering up to 70km in the water a week.

"Tonight was more about racing than time," Gillingham said, adding that while he never believed he could ever be beaten when standing on the blocks before a race, the result was "just such a damn relief."

Meanwhile, Gyorgy Zemplenyi, the entrepreneur and entertainment club owner who entirely funds the Hungarian national team, calling himself the general manager and foster father to Rozsa, was low key, saying his charge had felt sick in the morning after breathing detergent fumes in the changing rooms. For himself, Rozsa admitted that 100 and 200 metres are "very different races".

Madeleine Campbell added to Britain's delight with a fourth place in the 100 metres butterfly in 1min 2.01sec, just outside her British record. Campbell's time was slightly adrift from her British record of 1min 1.33sec, a time which would have earned her the silver medal last night.

Robert Morgan crowned a great day for Britain with a bronze medal in the ten metre platform diving behind Vladimir Timoshinin and Dimitri Sautin, of the Soviet Union.

RESULTS: Men: 400 metres freestyle: 1, E Sadovyi (USSR), 3min 49.02sec; 2, A Wojdat (Pol) 3: 49.09; 3, G Lamberti (It), 3:50.48; 16, A Clayton (GB), 3:59.38. 200 metres breaststroke: 1, N Gillingham (GB), 2:12.55 (GB and championship record); 2, N Rozsa (Hun), 2:12.58; 3, S Lopez (Sp), 2:13.40; 15, R Maden (GB), 2:20.50. 4 x 100 metres freestyle relay: 1, Soviet Union, 3:17.11 (European record); 2, Germany, 3:18.31; 3, Sweden, 3:20.42. Women: 100 metres butterfly: 1, C Plewinski (Fr), 1:00.32; 2, I de Bruijn (Neth), 1:01.84; 3, T Lundin (Swe), 1:01.80; 4, M Campbell (GB), 1:02.01. 100 metres breaststroke: 1, Y Rudovskaya (USSR), 1:09.05; 2, S Bondarenko (USSR), 1:09.99; 3, T Dangalakova (Bul), 1:10.12; 7, L Coombes (GB), 1:11.52; 8, J Hill (GB), 1:11.56. Diving: Men: 10 metre platform: 1, V Timoshinin (USSR), 606.21pts; 2, D Sautin (USSR), 602.22; 3, R Morgan (GB), 578.67; 9, J Arbon (GB), 467.91.

Achilles aches for Arsenal and Liverpool

By Clive White

EVERTON may have done more than undermine the confidence of Arsenal while boosting their own with their ruthless destruction of the Football League champions at Goodison Park on Tuesday night. They might also, unwittingly, have exposed to the rest of Europe the Achilles heel in England's pride and joy.

Arsenal's defence was taken apart by precisely the same kind of quick, nimble forwards which they can expect to meet in this season's European Cup. The only surprise is that it has not happened more often, given the lack of mobility in the centre of defence, but then few clubs can boast such a profusion of low-gravity players of the calibre of Warzycha, Ward, Beardsley and Cottee.

George Graham, the Arsenal manager, takes solace from the belief that things might have been different had Bould, his player of the year last season, been there to provide "dominance", yet one has a hunch the outcome might have been much the same. Arsenal need a Colin Todd in their midst.

Arsenal's disappointing start to the season has brought their desire to succeed into question, as it did two seasons ago after their previous championship success. It will be remembered that that season Arsenal lost their opening game 4-1 to Manchester United and were never quite the same again, finishing fourth.

Ron Atkinson, whose Aston Villa team stands in the way of Arsenal's recuperation at Villa Park today, said: "People say they have made a bad start but their only problem is that they are defending the title. A lot is expected of them, but you can be sure that when the trophies are being sorted out at the end of the season they will be in there somewhere."

Graham recognises that it is far too early to tell whether the motivation is still there. "I would like to think they've grown up and will make a much better challenge this time," he said. "Besides, the majority of those players who failed last time went on to win the championship a second time."

Graham is not the kind to panic or reach for the cheque book — "I'm a Scot, that's the last thing I'd do" — but he is clearly contemplating changes after collecting just one point from the first two games. Campbell would be one if he was fit. "He's the type who needs to be worked hard and he's missed too much valuable training." So too would Bould, who is still a fortnight away from full recovery.

It is doubtful whether Villa possess either the necessary armoury or cohesion — Dariusz Kubicki from Legia Warsaw was yesterday Atkinson's ninth signing yesterday — to trouble Arsenal, unless Daley, their swift winger, makes a rare reappearance from the treatment room. Even so, Graham thinks that Atkinson has bought "very wisely with the David Platt money".

Liverpool, too, are suffering Achilles problems. The club announced yesterday that Barnes had entered hospital for an operation on his damaged tendon, thereby becoming the fifth Liverpool player in the past month to have his left ankle immersed in plaster. The others are Rush, Hysen, Venison and Carter. Barnes will be out for a month. With Wright also unfit for the game against Luton Town, eight members of Liverpool's senior squad are now unavailable through injury.

If that does not help induce the most open championship since Aston Villa sprinted home just ahead of Ipwich Town and Arsenal a decade ago, nothing will.

Pipe comes close to another first

By Our Sports Staff

FROSTY Reception was accorded the warmest of receptions by bookmakers throughout Britain after foiling a remarkable record attempt by Martin Pipe, the champion National Hunt trainer, at Devon and Exeter yesterday.

Pipe, trying to become the first trainer under National Hunt or Flat rules to go through the card, had sent out the first five winners and looked to have a wonderful chance of achieving the feat when saddling Ever Smile, the 6-5 on favourite, in the closing Ruth Baker Memorial Handicap Hurdle.

Coleman: foiled record

Ever Smile and Peter Scudamore, who had ridden all of the first five winners, contested the lead for most of the race but, at the second last flight, Frosty Reception and Nigel Coleman took their measure and pulled clear to win by three-and-a-half lengths.

Graham Sharpe, spokesman for bookmakers William Hill, who had offered 5-1 before racing against Pipe training all six winners, breathed a sigh of relief and said: "Frosty Reception certainly got a great one one in our offices. If Pipe's horse had won, it would have been a bad day for us."

For the record, the earlier Pipe-Scudamore winners were Nordic Delight, Arabian Sultan, Refute, Takemethere and The Blue Boy. All five started odds-on and had Ever Smile succeeded, the accumulative odds of the six would have been a fraction less than 6-1.

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Pelé orders a facelift for the Beautiful Game

Simon Barnes
ON SATURDAY

The beginning of the football season always has me looking rather like the chap in the Edvard Munch painting. Partly, this is because these heavy hints of winter do not go well with August. This column has long believed that professional football should be illegal between May and the beginning of October.

But the resentment that football's reappearance always brings also seems to spell out that there is something wrong with the game. So many dire and fearful games in the World Cup last year, so many plodding and dire games to be played before next June.

Relief can be found in thinking of possible rule changes to encourage the glorious things about football at the expense of the most woeful. Nor is such a game restricted to ignorant outsiders. The latest person to come up with a few suggestions as to how to restore beauty to the Beautiful Game come from Pelé, no less.

He thinks the wall should be abolished at free kicks. Furthermore, defenders who bring down an attacker from behind should be sent off. The goal area should be reduced, and he would also like to do away with throw-ins. Instead, you should just boot the ball back into play from where it went off. "All sports, from tennis to basketball, have progressed," he said. "Football has changed almost nothing in its rules. It's time to change."

Hair-raising tale

All America has been rocked by the case of Don Mattingly, the superstar baseball player who was suspended because his club, New York Yankees, considered that he needed a haircut. Eventually, Mattingly had the haircut . . . and Tom Tumminia, a New York policemen, paid $3,000 for the clippings after an auction held on radio. The money goes to a charity for homeless children. Tumminia described himself as "a huge Yankees fan".

Word of warning

Every now and then, a most unexpected event occurs in my house. A copy of *Gull's Eye*, a Brighton and football club fanzine, drops through the door. How does it keep going?

Regular readers will recall that the magazine was sued successfully for libel by the board of directors. While trying to pay off the legal costs, Peter Kennard, who combines the task of editing the magazine with working for a firm of undertakers, was arrested for running an illegal lottery and fined £250. He was trying to raise money by raffling such delectable things as signed football

"The burning question," he writes, "is who was the individual who supplied the police with such an extensive dossier on our activities?" The fanzine now carries an editorial disclaimer: "*Gull's Eye* will not be held responsible for people getting the hump just because they have absolutely no sense of humour. *Gull's Eye* has zero cash and is still hopelessly in debt. We will have no hesitation in declaring bankruptcy if we incur further legal action."

Taking offence

Perhaps the answer to more exciting football is to watch it in Italy. Naples, Diego Maradona's old club, have been having a fine old time of it since the new manager, Claudio Ranieri, decided to hold all practice sessions behind closed doors.

Supporters used to watching at the Soccavo training ground were incensed, and one morning this week, 50 of them tried to get in. Three made it on to the pitch, and one raced the pursuing Ranieri from one goal to another. Ranieri, beside himself, shouted: "What do you want us to do, go away?" "*Si, jatevenni,*" the fleeing fan said in flawless Neapolitan, meaning, "yes, get out of it." After that, the fans retreated behind the corrugated iron fence, but they made the fence their ally in protest. They proceeded to belabour it for hours, making an ungodly din, and turning the training session into "a Chinese torture", according to one report.

☐ *The return of the footy season does at least give one a new chance to peruse the state of sponsorship in our time. Can you top the Dan-Air Scheduled Services League? The Campri Lesiurewear South Midlands League? The Unijet Sussex County League? Leading Agencies Hampshire League? Jolly's Cornwall Combination? I have a rather soft spot for the Hereward Sports United Counties League myself.*

Funny old game

Golf was invented in China, and references to the game date back to 953AD. This is half a millennium older than was first thought. The first written reference to golf in Scotland is 1457. The game was called *chiuwan*, according to Ling Hongling, professor of physical education at Northwest Normal University in Lanzhou, China, in an article published in the *Australian Society for Sports History* magazine. "Competitors would drive the ball into each of a series of pits dug in the ground," Ling wrote. The Royal and Ancient Golf Club told the American magazine, *Sports Illustrated*: "It's a hoax. It's an academic joke." It is an intriguing mystery. But the fact I find truly impressive in all this is that the Chinese possessed the basic strength of mind to give the game up.

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